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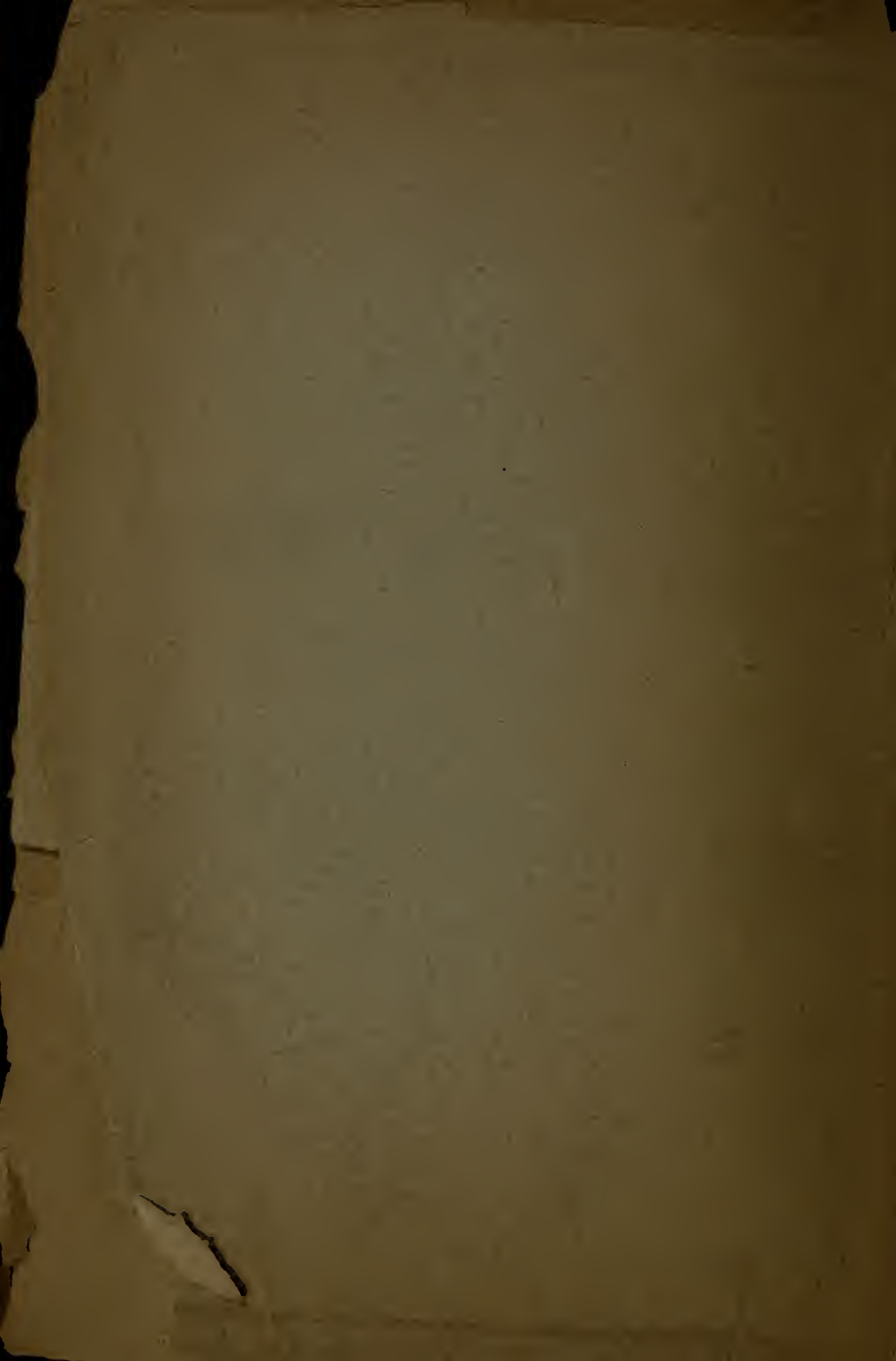


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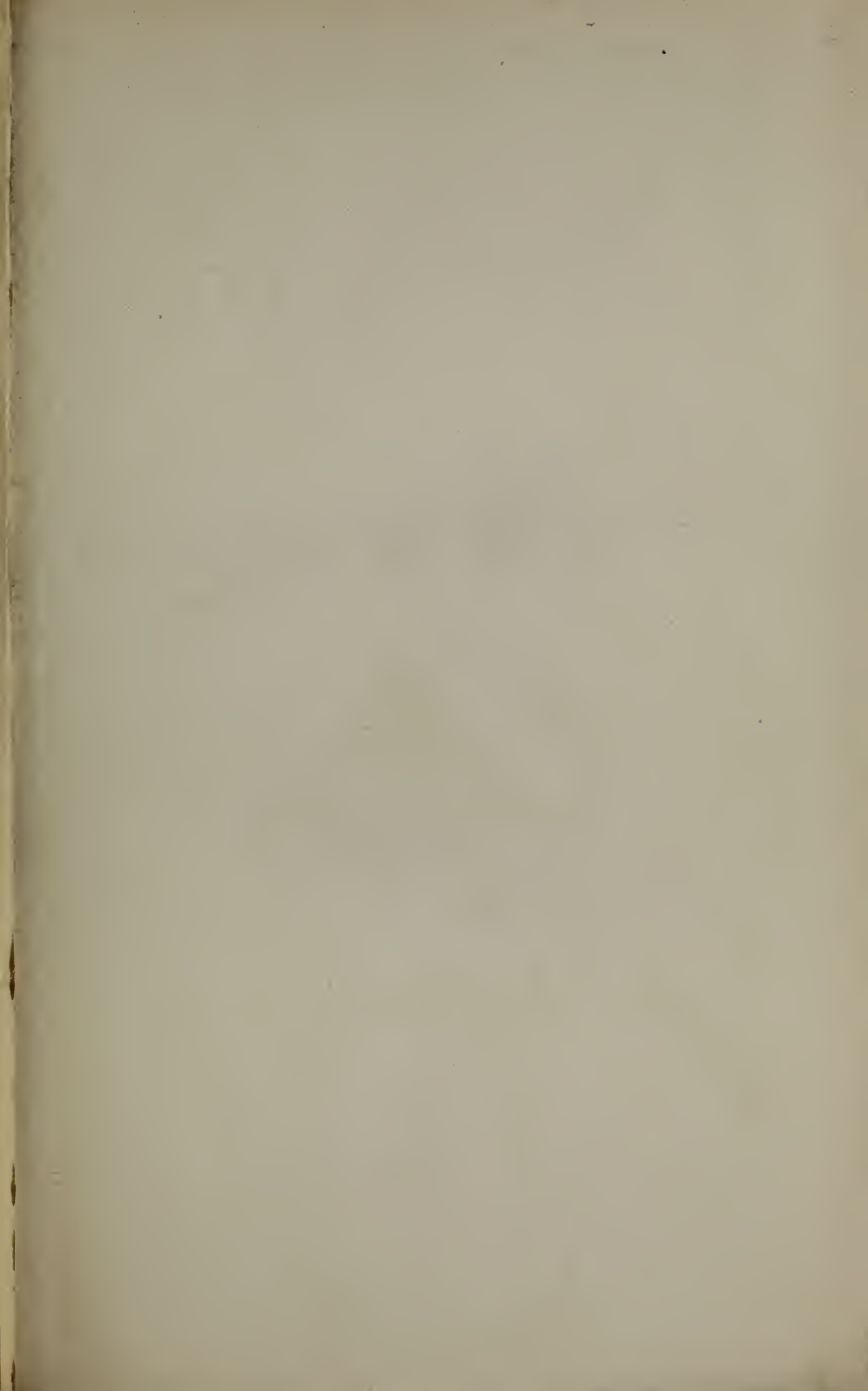














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OF THE  
BRAINERD FAMILY,  
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THE UNITED STATES,

WITH NUMEROUS SKETCHES OF INDIVIDUALS.

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## PREFACE.



VARIOUS circumstances have combined to induce me to write the Brainerd Genealogy. The town of Madison, Conn., where I was born and spent my childhood and youth, (formerly a part of the large town of Guilford,) was not far from Haddam, and there was much intercourse between the two places. The Rev. Israel Brainerd, from Haddam, a classmate of my only brother in Yale College, was for some years pastor of the first church in Guilford. One of the prominent members of my own class was William Fowler Brainerd, who was for many years an able and eloquent lawyer in Connecticut. He was a son of the Hon. Jeremiah Gates Brainerd, long a Judge of the Superior Court of that State, and Mayor of the city

of New London. Soon after I began to preach, I was settled as pastor of the church in Haddam, where Daniel Brainerd lived, the ancestor of all the Brainerds in the United States; where he was the first deacon in the church, and the first Justice in the town; and where his descendants, bearing his family name, were more numerous in the congregation and in the schools than those of any other early settler.

In my walks I often passed the spot where his youngest son, the Hon. Hezekiah Brainerd, lived and reared a large and very remarkable family of children. Among these were the missionaries, David and John Brainerd, of whom the reader will find more said in the following pages, than concerning any other two persons. In passing the spot, I could hardly refrain from pausing and meditating on the piety which had existed there a hundred years before, and especially on the extraordinary lives and characters of the two missionaries.

The difficulty of preparing a genealogy like this can only be appreciated by those who have undertaken a similar task. It is easy to trace the record of a single family through two or three generations; but to follow a genealogy which extends through two centuries, and divides into a hundred different branches, is a work of immense labor. The eye at a glance can

take in the trunk of a tree and mark its heavy boughs, but to trace every slender branch which has started from the parent stem, is almost endless. It is like counting every leaf.

The preparation of this work has cost me the labor of several years, much of the time since I last had the charge of a parish in 1851. I have travelled hundreds of miles, searched town and church records, written innumerable letters, requiring, in all, a degree of labor at which I am astonished myself, as I look back upon it. It has been truly a labor of love, prompted by my early interest in this family, and affectionate veneration for its honored names.

To avoid perplexity in finding particular families, I have given first the name of the original settler and his family, and then have taken each of his children in the order of age, and traced them down through children's children to the present day. Where I have not found the materials to complete the tables, I shall be greatly obliged to any reader who will furnish more full and exact details of his own particular branch of the family, which can be directed to me at my home in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

David Brainerd, as the reader will learn, died and was buried at Northampton, Massachusetts; and John Brainerd, at Deerfield, New Jersey. The Rev. J. W.

Cattell, now pastor of the church at Deerfield, says: "I have felt very anxious to see some monument erected to the memory of Mr. Brainerd; it ought to have been done long ago." This is but just both to the dead and to the living, and it is to be hoped that means will soon be devised by which a memorial stone will be reared over or near the grave of this eminent missionary.

But the plea is still stronger for a monument to David and John Brainerd both, on the bank of Connecticut River, on the very spot where these men and their brothers and sisters were born. A marble tablet, or a granite column, or obelisk, could be placed so near the highway that its inscription could be read by all passing on the public road, and be visible for miles up and down the Connecticut River.

When shall the first steps be taken for such a monument? I would make a suggestion. Let there be a great family meeting of the Brainerds, such as other large families have held. Let it be at a season of the year when there may be easy access by land and water from different parts of the country. Let it be held at Haddam, the home of their ancestors, where they can visit the spots where their fathers lived and the yards where their bodies now lie buried; and



where they will see also the living faces of many of their name. Then let there be a public meeting, recalling family associations, and speaking worthily of the illustrious dead, and let there be a generous contribution to erect a monument of stone to the memory of these sainted brothers.

Should the circulation of the Brainerd Genealogy lead to the erection of such a monument, and especially should it lead this large family, now scattered over every part of the United States, and numbering thousands of names, to honor these holy men, and to imitate their example, the author will not have labored in vain.

DAVID D. FIELD.

*New York, April, 1857.*

For the assistance of readers in finding their own names, and the names of those in whom they are specially interested, they will bear in mind that the name of the common ancestor is at the beginning of the book, together with those of his family; and that then the families of the children are given in succession in the order of their birth as far as the writer has been able to trace and connect them; and that, toward the close, separate families are given which he had not the requisite information for introducing in their place.

The commencement of the sketches alluded to in the title-page, the reader will readily find by attending to the following directions: For the sketch of Daniel Brainerd, the common ancestor, see page 9; for Daniel B. jun., 12; Daniel B., son of Daniel, jun., 13; Dr. Daniel Brainerd, 15; Hon. J. G. Brainerd, 17; William F. Brainerd, 18; the poet Brainerd, 20; Captain Bezaliel, 40; Dea. Eliakim, 73; Rev. Thomas, 76; Dr. Austin, 82; Othniel Brainerd, jun., 93; Captain Shubael, 105; Silas, 108; Erastus and Silas, 110; Leonard W., 119; Dea. Ezra, 137; Ezra B., jun., 145; Lawrence R., 148; Lawrence, 150; Lyman, 152; Norman, 153; Otis, 154; Sebastian, 155; Rev. Israel, 157; Joseph H., 163; Rev. Timothy G., 164; George B. second, 166; Rev. Israel, 171; Dr. Daniel B., 188; Rev. Elijah, 195; Mrs. Lavinia Brainerd Goff, 197; Timothy B., 215; Captain John, 228; John Brainerd, 231; Hon. Hezekiah, 235; Dr. Minor, 237; Dr. Hezekiah B., 240; Rev. Nehemiah, 247; Dea. Nehemiah, 248; Gen. John, 249; Rev. David Brainerd, 252; Rev. John, 283; Israel, 296.

In the table, page 151, second, fourth, and twelfth lines of it, for Alcice, read Aldis; also in the fourth line from the bottom of the page.

Page 168, on the ninth and tenth lines from bottom, after Calista, read Adeline, Nancy, and Cynthia; and on the eighth line, for Lammissa, read Laumissa.



## THE BRAINERD GENEALOGY.

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**D**ANIEL BRAINERD, the ancestor of the Brainerds in this country, was brought from England when eight years old, to Hartford, Connecticut, where he lived in the Wyllys family until he was of age. He became a proprietor and settler of Haddam about 1662, and was a prosperous, influential, and very respectable man; a justice of the peace in the town, and a deacon in the church.

After his settlement here he received a letter from his mother, in which she spelt her name *Brainwood*, which renders it probable that such was the original name. I have also seen the name thus written in a few instances in old records in this country. He, however, had called his name Brainerd, and this name prevailed. It is most generally spelled *Brainerd*, both in the records of Haddam and East Haddam; though, like other names, it is spelled sometimes with a difference of one

or two letters, as *Brainard*, *Braynard*. The pronunciation is more generally uniform than the spelling, *Brainerd*.

The ancestor was twice married; first to Hannah Spencer, daughter of Gerrard Spencer of Lynn, Mass., afterward of Haddam, and after her decease, to the widow Hannah Saxton; and it is tradition that the entire maiden name of this wife was the same as that of the first. The children were all by the first marriage, and were born as follows:

Daniel Brainerd, Jr., born	March 2, 1665.
Hannah “	“ Nov. 20, 1667.
James “	“ June 2, 1669.
Joshua “	“ July 20, 1671.
William “	“ March 30, 1673.
Caleb “	“ Nov. 20, 1675.
Elijah “	“ —, 1677.
Hezekiah “	“ —, 1680 or 81.*

I have adverted to the prosperity of the father. He became the greatest landholder in Haddam; owning, besides rights in other places in the Township, about a mile in the northeast part of what lies west of Connecticut river, including what is covered by the present village of Higganum. He died April 1, 1715, and is buried in the ancient burying-ground a few rods east of the Court House.

In giving the births and names of his descendants, it will be expedient to give those of each of his descend-

\* The statement of these births in Godwin's Gen. Notes is, in various respects, incorrect.

ants separately. Thus the difficulty of finding particular families will be lessened. I shall not, however, trace the descendants of daughters very far; nor, as a general thing, shall I give more than the names of the children of the females by the name of Brainerd, where they have lost by their marriages their family name. For thus restricting the genealogy I have two reasons. One is, that tracing the descendants of every name fully, would make the publication too large, should my life be prolonged sufficiently to prepare and publish such a genealogy: the other is, that the females, acquiring new names by their marriages, may have their genealogies presented in other publications, as many persons are now directing their attention to such works.

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DANIEL BRAINERD, JR., married Susannah Ventres, daughter of William Ventres, one of the first settlers of Haddam, in 1688. Their children were:

Susannah Brainerd, born	Aug. 9, 1689.
Daniel 3d	“ “ Sept. 28, 1690.
Hannah	“ “ June 12, 1694.
Noadiah	“ “ April 4, 1697.
Stephen	“ “ Feb. 27, 1699.
Bezalel	“ “ April 17, 1701.
Mary	“ “ Sept. 10, 1703.

This family lived on the east side of Connecticut river, in what is now East Haddam, near a spring at the southern end of the Creek Row (so called), where the widow of Darius Brainerd, a descendant of this

Daniel Brainerd, now lives. Mr. Brainerd was a deacon in the church in East Haddam. He died Jan. 28, 1742-3, and Susannah (Ventres) Brainerd, his widow, died Jan. 26, 1754, in her 86th year.

Of Susannah Brainerd, the eldest child of Dea. Daniel and Susannah (V.) Brainerd of East Haddam, of the third generation from the first Dea. Daniel Brainerd, no further information is possessed.

Daniel Brainerd the 3d, second child of Dea. Daniel and S. (V.) Brainerd of East Haddam, married Hannah Selden, Feb. 2, 1715. Children :

Susannah Brainerd,	born	Nov. 27,	1716,	died	Feb. 10,	1726.
Hannah	"	"	Nov. 28,	1718,	died	Feb. 17,
Daniel	"	"	Feb. 24,	1721,-2.		
Mary	"	"	Sept. 24,	1723,	died	Feb. 2,
Susannah 2d	"	"	Aug. 9,	1726,	died	Sept. 14,
Hannah 3d	"	"	April 17,	1729.		

The father of these children died Sept. 28, 1728, aged thirty-eight, and the mother, May 5, 1746.

Daniel Brainerd, the first of the children who lived to adult years, was a worthy descendant of the three paternal ancestors who bore the same given name. Like them, he was a professor of religion, a justice of the peace many years, a judge of probate, and repeatedly a representative to the Legislature. But he was not suffered to continue by reason of death. As he was crossing Connecticut river on his way to the Legislature, Jan. 9, 1777, a memorable year in the history of our land, when such men were peculiarly needed, he



was taken in a fit, and died about one o'clock the following night at a house in East Haddam Landing. His body was interred in the Landing cemetery.

He married for his first wife, Esther Gates, Aug. 15, 1751, by whom he had six children. She died May 11, 1769, in her forty-second year; and he married Prudence Gridley of Farmington, June 6, 1771, by whom he had three children. She survived him, and was married after his decease to John Porter of Farmington. Left a widow a second time, she returned to East Haddam, where she died June 8, 1811, in her seventy-fifth year, and is buried in the Landing graveyard. Daniel Brainerd's children by his two wives were:

Gideon	Brainerd, born	Dec. 2, 1752.
Daniel	" "	June 13, 1755.
Esther	" "	Aug. 7, 1757.
Jeremiah Gates	" "	July 28, 1759.
Hannah	" "	Aug. 25, 1761.
Susannah	" "	Feb. 1, 1766, died May 9, 1769.
Susannah 2d	" "	June 21, 1772.
Prudence	" "	July 31, 1774.
Mary	" "	Sept. 1, 1776.

Gideon Brainerd was enlisted into "Gen. Spencer's Company," as it was termed, in 1775, and died of the smallpox at Roxbury on the 25th of October in that year, "at about ten o'clock at night, in the twenty-third year of his age."

Daniel Brainerd served his country in the American Revolution, both on the sea and on the land. At one time he commanded a privateer, which was for a

time successful, and it is understood that from his share in prizes he acquired considerable property. But at length he was taken by the British, was confined on board of a prison-ship in New York, and subjected to indignity and abuse. He lost much property at one time and another, and finally his all, at New London, when that town was taken and partly burnt by the infamous Benedict Arnold.

After the war was over, he married Widow Damaris Chamberlain, whose family name was Fox, born, it is understood, in East Haddam. He lived for a time in Richmond, Mass., where his eldest child was born. In 1789 he removed to Canandaigua, when there were only five log cabins in that place, and there the rest of his children were born. He was poor, and somewhat discouraged; but, while able to labor, sustained his family by farming and surveying lands. In 1820, through the kindness of his eldest son, both he and his wife were removed to Lower Sandusky, Ohio, now the Town of Fremont, where she died Nov. 26, 1826, aged 69. He generally enjoyed good health in Sandusky, until he was nearly 83. But a sudden inflammation of the lungs closed his life, December 31, 1837. He died with composure; and, in view of his services in the Revolution, he was buried with military honors. Their children were:

Daniel	Brainerd, born	October 20,	1787.
Hester	" "	about	1791.
Electra	" "	" "	1793.

Jeremiah Gates Brainerd, born about 1795.	
William	“
Charles	“
Franklin	“
George	“
Selden	“

The eldest of their children was subjected to difficulties in his early education, from the reduced circumstances of his father, but actually began the study of medicine before he was 20 years of age. About that time he went to Vermont, completed his studies with Prof. John Pomeroy, and was graduated at the medical college in Burlington. Early in 1811 he entered into partnership with Dr. R. Wells, in Canandaigua, and practised in company with him about seven years, excepting that during six months in 1812 he was a surgeon in the American army. In 1816 he moved further west, and in 1819 to Lower Sandusky, Ohio, now the town of Fremont, where he practised medicine about twenty years, when his health being impaired, he declined professional business. He has been once elected sheriff, and once mayor of Fremont.

In 1818 Dr. Brainerd married Maria Fox, in Buffalo, New York. They have had twelve children:

Betsey Brainerd, born August 9, 1819.	
Nancy	“ “ Sept. 29, 1822.
Daniel	“ “ Dec. 13, 1825, died December 7, 1833.
Almira	“ “ April 21, 1827.
Edwin	“ “ Oct. 20, 1828, died January 8, 1842.
Marilla	“ “ July 8, 1830.
Electra	“ “ Aug. 17, 1832.
Charles	“ “ May 16, 1834, died, aged one year.



Julia Brainerd,	born	March 26,	1836,	died,	aged	10 months.
Fidelia	"	"	June 1,	1839,	died,	aged 15 months.
Catharine	"	"	March 26,	1841,	died,	aged 5 months.
Mary	"	"	Feb. 10,	1843.		

Betsey Brainerd was married to a Mr. Tillotson. She died July 17, 1848, leaving one child, Cornelia Tillotson.

Nancy Brainerd was married to a Mr. Cunger (if I have the name right), about 1841. They have five children.

Almira Brainerd was married also to a Mr. Cunger, about 1846. They have a daughter.

Marilla Brainerd was married to a Mr. Fouke, about 1849. They, too, have a daughter.

Electra Brainerd was married about 1850, to a Mr. Gaston. They have a daughter.

Mr. Brainerd's youngest child is the only one now living at home, the other children being either dead or married, and living at different distances from them.

Hester Brainerd, sister of Dr. Brainerd, was married to Mr. Roberts, of Michigan. They have both sons and daughters.

Electra Brainerd was married to a Mr. Perrin, of Michigan. She died about 1839, leaving two sons and two daughters.

Jeremiah Gates Brainerd married Polly Pase, in Buffalo, in 1817. They have several sons and daughters. His occupation is farming.

William Brainerd has a family, and is a farmer.

Charles has a family, and is a joiner.

Franklin Brainerd died in the Mexican war.

Of George Brainerd I have no further knowledge.

Selden died, aged 22, in consequence of a fall. He was unmarried.

Hester Brainerd was married to Gurdon Johnstone. They lived some time in the State of New York, but afterward removed to some part of Vermont. They had children, but I am not able to give their names.

Jeremiah Gates Brainerd, son of Daniel Brainerd the 4th, contrived to be at Roxbury at the time of the Bunker Hill battle, though then a lad short of sixteen. He was on a height, where he could see the battle, and also a large body of American soldiers near him, under arms; and among these, his brother Gideon, who beckoned to him, and cautioned him to keep out of the range of the shots from the British ships of war. He was fitted for Yale College, by Rev. Elijah Parsons, pastor of the church in East Haddam; and, while a member of that institution, distinguished himself as a scholar, particularly in the languages, being a successful candidate for the Berklean prize. He was graduated in 1779, and about that time received a lieutenant's commission, with a view of being an officer in one of the companies of a regiment then proposed to be raised, and constituted a part of the American army. For some unknown reason the regiment was not raised, though the officers were commissioned. He held his commission about a year, and during a part of that time was employed

principally in attending to the accounts of the Connecticut line at the War Office, in Philadelphia; some part of the time he spent at West Point. He then resigned, and commenced the study of law with Gen. Dyer Throop, in East Haddam. He settled as a lawyer in New London, and, besides attending to the duties of his profession, was honored with various civil offices. He was early appointed a justice of the peace; was repeatedly a representative to the General Assembly, and at one session was clerk of the Lower House. In 1805 he was chosen mayor of New London, and held that station until about two years before his death. He was a judge of the Superior Court from October, 1806, until his resignation, about 1829. He died January 7, 1830, aged 70.

He married Sarah Gardiner, daughter of John and Sarah (Palmer) Gardiner, Dec. 10, 1783. She died June 30, 1830, aged 63. Their children were :

William Fowler Brainerd,	born	Sept. 21,	1784.
Dyer Throop	"	June 10,	1790.
Lucretia	"	April 19,	1792.
John Gardiner C.	"	Oct. 21,	1796.

William F. Brainerd was fitted for college by Jacob B. Gurley, entered Yale in 1798, and throughout his college course was one of the best scholars in his class. He studied law with his father, and practised through life in New London; was an able advocate, generally interesting, often very humorous, and not unfrequently brilliant. He was also a fine writer. Two addresses

of his, one delivered before a Masonic Lodge, and the other at the laying of the corner-stone of the Groton monument, have been published, and excited much attention. The former passed through three editions. The latter is evincive of much genius, and of great care and felicity of composition. When the distinguished Roger Griswold became governor of Connecticut, Mr. B. was appointed one of his aids; he was also a justice of the peace, a notary public, and a representative to the General Assembly.

He was the subject of some religious exercises in the revival at college in 1802; and though nothing saving was then experienced, a conviction was made upon his mind that experimental religion was indispensable to salvation, that never left him. He was a constant attendant upon public worship, a careful and critical hearer of the word, and for quite a number of years before his death he maintained worship in his house, from a conviction that it was a duty he owed his family. At length his mind was brought to a crisis, and there is good evidence that he yielded to the conditions of mercy. In January, 1843, he was admitted to membership in the First Congregational Church, and his friends and acquaintance rejoice in the belief, that when he died, April 27, 1844, he was received into the joy of his Lord.

He married twice, first Ann Learned, daughter of Hon. Amasa Learned, for some years a representative in the Congress of the United States, and by her had



one child, a daughter, which lived only one or two days. This wife died, I believe, in 1816. He remained single after her death until March 18, 1832, when he married Sarah A. Prentiss, daughter of John Prentiss, by whom he had four children :

Lucretia Brainerd,	born	Nov. 11,	1833.
Sarah Prentiss	"	"	July 13, 1835.
Mary	"	"	June 19, 1837.
John	"	"	June 11, 1841, who died June 8, 1843.

Lucretia Brainerd, the oldest daughter of William F. Brainerd by his second wife, it is understood is married, keeps house, and has her sisters living with her in the old mansion of her father.

Dyer Throop Brainerd, M. D., was graduated at Yale College in 1810. He studied medicine with Dr. James Lee, of New London, and, after his removal, with Dr. Richard Merier; and in 1813 was admitted to practice by the examining committee of New London County, though in the winter of 1819-20 he attended medical lectures in New York. He has always practised in New London, and has held a very respectable rank among his medical brethren.

Lucretia Brainerd, the third child of Judge Brainerd, died April 19, 1831.

John G. C. Brainerd, after taking his degree at Yale College in 1815, studied law and was admitted to the bar. He settled in Middletown, where he was a universal favorite; so sweet was his temper, so correct his taste, and so interesting his conversation. He was not,

however, so well qualified for the peculiar duties of the profession, as for the study of polite literature and elegant composition. His fame arose especially from his becoming afterwards the editor of the "Connecticut Mirror" at Hartford, and issuing in that periodical short pieces of poetry and prose. It was hardly possible that his language should have been more appropriate and felicitous. His poetry only needs to be well read to excite universal interest in a mixed audience. He early went into a decline, was obliged to give up business, and died in 1828, aged 32. But he did not leave the world until he gave himself up to the Saviour of men, professed his name and partook of the memorials of his atoning death. His conversion and his profession of religion were both remarkable, and excited great interest in the first Congregational Church in his native place, among his acquaintance in that city, and in other places; and when he came to die, faith in Christ turned the shadows of death into the light of the morning.

The following are specimens of his poetry, and are selected from one hundred and three pieces contained in the volume of his poems. They are entitled "Connecticut River;" "Matchit Moodus;" "The Shad Spirit;" "Salmon River;" and "The Black Fox of Salmon River." They are selected not on account of any peculiarity in their poetry, but because they relate specially to subjects, scenes, and facts, pertaining to the two towns, where most of the early Brainerds lived.

## ON CONNECTICUT RIVER.

FROM that lone lake, the sweetest of the chain  
 That links the mountain to the mighty main,  
 Fresh from the rock and swelling by the tree,  
 Rushing to meet and dare and breast the sea—  
 Fair, noble, glorious river ! in thy wave  
 The sunniest slopes and sweetest pastures lave ;  
 The mountain torrent, with its wintry roar  
 Springs from its home and leaps upon thy shore :  
 The promontories love thee—and for this  
 Turn their rough cheeks and stay thee for thy kiss.

Stern, at thy source, thy northern Guardians stand,  
 Rude rulers of the solitary land,  
 Wild dwellers by thy cold sequestered springs,  
 Of earth the feathers and of air the wings ;  
 Their blasts have rocked thy cradle, and in storm  
 Covered thy couch and swathed in snow thy form—  
 Yet, blessed by all the elements that sweep  
 The clouds above, or the unfathomed deep,  
 The purest breezes scent thy blooming hills,  
 The gentlest dews drop on thy eddying rills,  
 By the mossed bank, and by the aged tree,  
 The silver streamlet smoothest glides to thee.

The young oak greets thee at the water's edge,  
 Wet by the wave, though anchored in the ledge.  
 —'Tis there the otter dives, the beaver feeds,  
 Where pensive oziars dip their willowy weeds,  
 And there the wild-cat purs amid her brood,  
 And trains them in the sylvan solitude,  
 To watch the squirrel's leap, or mark the mink  
 Paddling the water by the quiet brink ;—



Or to outgaze the gray owl in the dark,  
Or hear the young fox practising to bark.

Dark as the first-nipped leaves that strewed the ground,  
The Indian hunter here his shelter found ;  
Here cut his bow and shaped his arrows true,  
Here built his wigwam and his bark canoe,  
Speared the quick salmon leaping up the fall,  
And slew the deer without the rifle ball ;  
Here his young squaw her cradling tree would choose,  
Singing her chant to hush her swart pappoose,  
Here stain her quills and string her trinklets rude,  
And weave her warrior's wampum in the wood.  
—No more shall they thy welcome waters bless,  
No more their forms thy moon-lit banks shall press,  
No more be heard, from mountain or from grove,  
His whoop of slaughter, or her song of love.

Thou didst not shake, thou didst not shrink, when late  
The mountain-top shut down its ponderous gate,  
Tumbling its tree-grown ruins to thy side,  
An avalanche of acres at a slide.  
Nor dost thou stay, when winter's coldest breath  
Howls through the woods and sweeps along the heath—  
One mighty sigh relieves thy icy breast,  
And wakes thee from the calmness of thy rest.

Down sweeps the torrent ice—it may not stay  
By rock or bridge, in narrow or in bay—  
Swift, swifter to the heaving sea it goes,  
And leaves thee dimpling in thy sweet repose.  
—Yet as the unharmed swallow skims his way,  
And lightly droops his pinions in thy spray,  
So the swift sail shall seek thy inland seas,  
And swell and whiten in thy purer breeze,

New paddles dip thy waters, and strange oars  
Feather thy waves and touch thy noble shores.

Thy *noble* shores ! where the tall steeple shines  
At mid-day, higher than thy mountain pines ;  
Where the white school-house, with its daily drill  
Of sunburnt children, smiles upon the hill ;  
Where the neat village grows upon the eye,  
Decked forth in nature's sweet simplicity ;  
Where hard-won competence, the farmer's wealth,  
Gains merit, honor, and gives labor health ;  
Where Goldsmith's self might send his exiled band,  
To find a new "Sweet Auburn" in our land.

What Art can execute, or Taste devise,  
Decks thy fair course and gladdens in thine eyes—  
As broader sweep the bendings of thy stream,  
To meet the southern Sun's more constant beam.  
Here cities rise, and sea-washed commerce hails  
Thy shores and winds with all her flapping sails,  
From tropic isles, or from the torrid main—  
Where grows the grape, or sprouts the sugar-cane—  
Or from the haunts, where the striped haddock play,  
By each cold northern bank and frozen bay.  
Here safe returned from every stormy sea,  
Waves the striped flag, the mantle of the free,  
—That star-lit flag, by all the breezes curled  
Of yon vast deep whose waters grasp the world.

In what Arcadian, what Utopian ground  
Are warmer hearts or manlier feelings found,  
More hospitable welcome, or more zeal  
To make the curious "tarrying" stranger feel  
That, next to home, here best may he abide,  
To rest and cheer him by the chimney-side ;

Drink the hale Farmer's cider, as he hears  
From the gray dame the tales of other years.  
Cracking his shag-barks, as the aged crone  
—Mixing the true and doubtful into one—  
Tells how the Indian scalped the helpless child,  
And bore its shrieking mother to the wild,  
Butchered the father hastening to his home,  
Seeking his cottage—finding but his tomb.  
How drums, and flags, and troops were seen on high,  
Wheeling and charging in the northern sky,  
And that she knew what these wild tokens meant,  
When to the Old French War her husband went.  
How, by the thunder-blasted tree, was hid  
The golden spoils of far-famed Robert Kidd ;  
And then the chubby grandchild wants to know  
About the ghosts and witches long ago,  
That haunted the old swamp.

The clock strikes ten—

The prayer is said, nor unforgotten then  
The stranger in their gates. A decent rule  
Of Elders in thy puritanic school.

When the fresh morning wakes him from his dream,  
And daylight smiles on rock, and slope, and stream,  
Are there not glossy curls and sunny eyes,  
As brightly lit and bluer than thy skies ;  
Voices as gentle as an echoed call,  
And sweeter than the softened waterfall  
That smiles and dimples in its whispering spray,  
Leaping in sportive innocence away ;  
And lovely forms, as graceful and as gay  
As wild-brier, budding in an April day ;  
—How like the leaves—the fragrant leaves it bears,  
Their sinless purposes and simple cares.

Stream of my sleeping Fathers ! when the sound  
 Of coming war echoed thy hills around,  
 How did thy sons start forth from every glade,  
 Snatching the musket where they left the spade.  
 How did their mothers urge them to the fight,  
 Their sisters tell them to defend the right,—  
 How bravely did they stand, how nobly fall,  
 The earth their coffin and the turf their pall.  
 How did the aged pastor light his eye,  
 When to his flock he read the purpose high  
 And stern resolve, whate'er the toil may be,  
 To pledge life, name, fame, all—for Liberty.  
 Cold is the hand that penned *that* glorious page—  
 Still in the grave the body of that sage,  
 Whose lip of eloquence and heart of zeal,  
 Made Patriots act and listening Statesmen feel—  
 Brought thy Green Mountains down upon their foes,  
 And thy white summits melted of their snows,  
 While every vale to which his voice could come,  
 Rang with the fife and echoed to the drum.

Bold River ! better suited are thy waves  
 To nurse the laurels clust'ring round their graves,  
 Than many a distant stream, that soaks the mud  
 Where thy brave sons have shed their gallant blood,  
 And felt, beyond all other mortal pain,  
 They ne'er should see their happy home again.

Thou hadst a poet once,—and he could tell,  
 Most tunefully, whate'er to thee befell,  
 Could fill each pastoral reed upon thy shore—  
 But we shall hear his classic lays no more !  
 He loved thee, but he took his aged way,  
 By Erie's shore, and Perry's glorious day,  
 To where Detroit looks out amidst the wood,  
 Remote beside the dreary solitude.



Yet for his brow thy ivy leaf shall spread,  
 Thy freshest myrtle lift its berried head,  
 And our gnarled Charter Oak put forth a bough,  
 Whose leaves shall grace thy TRUMBULL'S honored brow.

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### MATCHIT MOODUS.

A traveller, who accidentally passed through East Haddam, made several inquiries as to the "*Moodus noises*," that are peculiar to that part of the country. Many particulars were related to him of their severity and effects, and of the means that had been taken to ascertain their cause, and prevent their recurrence. He was told that the simple and terrified inhabitants, in the early settlement of the town, applied to a book-learned and erudite man *from England*, by the name of Doctor Steele, who undertook, by magic, to allay their terrors; and for this purpose took the sole charge of a blacksmith's shop, in which he worked by night, and from which he excluded all admission, tightly stopping and darkening the place, to prevent any prying curiosity from interfering with his occult operations. He however so far explained the cause of these noises as to say, that they were owing to a carbuncle, which must have grown to a great size, in the bowels of the rocks; and that if it could be removed, the noises would cease until another should grow in its place. The noises ceased—the doctor departed, and has never been heard of since. It was supposed that he took the carbuncle with him. Thus far was authentic. A little girl, who had anxiously noticed the course of the traveller's inquiries, sung for his further edification the following ballad:

SEE you upon the lonely moor,  
 A crazy building rise ?  
 No hand dares venture to open the door—  
 No footstep treads its dangerous floor—  
 No eye in its secrets pries.

Now why is each crevice stopped so tight ?  
 Say, why the bolted door ?  
 Why glimmers at midnight the forge's light—  
 All day is the anvil at rest, but at night  
 The flames of the furnace roar ?

Is it to arm the horse's heel,  
 That the midnight anvil rings ?  
 Is it to mould the ploughshare's steel,  
 Or is it to guard the wagon's wheel,  
 That the smith's sledge-hammer swings ?

The iron is bent, and the crucible stands  
 With alchymy boiling up ;  
 Its contents were mixed by unknown hands,  
 And no mortal fire e'er kindled the brands  
 That heated that cornered cup.

O'er Moodus river a light has glanced,  
 On Moodus hills it shone ;  
 On the granite rocks the rays have danced,  
 And upward those creeping lights advanced,  
 Till they met on the highest stone.

O that is the very wizard place,  
 And now is the wizard hour,  
 By the light that was conjured up to trace,  
 Ere the star that falls can run its race,  
 The seat of the earthquake's power.

By that unearthly light I see  
 A figure strange alone :  
 With magic circlet on his knee,  
 And decked with Satan's symbols, he  
 Seeks for the hidden stone.

Now upward goes that gray old man,  
 With mattock, bar, and spade—  
 The summit is gained, and the toil began,  
 And deep by the rock where the wild lights ran,  
 The magic trench is made.

Loud and yet louder was the groan  
That sounded wide and far ;  
And deep and hollow was the moan,  
That rolled around the bedded stone,  
Where the workman plied his bar.

Then upward streamed the brilliant's light,  
It streamed o'er crag and stone :—  
Dim looked the stars, and the moon, that night ;  
But when morning came in her glory bright,  
The man and the jewel were gone.

But woe to the bark in which he flew  
From Moodus' rocky shore ;  
Woe to the captain, and woe to the crew,  
That ever the breath of life they drew,  
When that dreadful freight they bore.

Where is that crew and vessel now ?  
Tell me their state who can ?  
The wild waves dash o'er their sinking bow—  
Down, down to the fathomless depths they go,  
To sleep with a sinful man.

The carbuncle lies in the deep, deep sea,  
Beneath the mighty wave ;  
But the light shines upward so gloriously,  
That the sailor looks pale, and forgets his glee,  
When he crosses the wizard's grave.

## THE SHAD SPIRIT.

There is a superstition in many places, that Shad are conducted from the Gulf of Mexico into Connecticut river by a kind of *Yankee bogle*, in the shape of a bird, properly called the SHAD SPIRIT. It makes its appearance annually, about a week before the Shad, calls the fish, and gives warning to the fishermen to mend their nets. It is supposed that without his assistance the nets would be swept to no purpose, and the fisherman would labor in vain.

Now drop the bolt, and securely nail  
 The horse-shoe over the door ;  
 'Tis a wise precaution, and if it should fail  
 It never failed before.

Know ye the shepherd that gathers his flock,  
 Where the gales of the Equinox blow,  
 From each unknown reef, and sunken rock,  
 In the Gulf of Mexico ;

While the monsoons growl, and the trade-winds bark,  
 And the watch-dogs of the surge  
 Pursue through the wild waves the ravenous shark,  
 That prowls around their charge ?

To fair Connecticut's northernmost source,  
 O'er sandbars, rapids, and falls,  
 The Shad Spirit holds his onward course,  
 With the flocks which his whistle calls.

O how shall he know where he went before ?  
 Will he wander around for ever ?  
 The last year's shad-heads shall shine on the shore,  
 To light him up the river.

And well can he tell the very time  
 To undertake his task—



When the pork barrel's low, he sits on the chine,  
And drums on the cider cask.

Though the wind is light, the wave is white,  
With the fleece of the flock that's near ;  
Like the breath of the breeze, he comes over the seas,  
And faithfully leads them here.

And now he's passed the bolted door,  
Where the rusted horse-shoe clings ;  
So carry the nets to the nearest shore,  
And take what the Shad Spirit brings.

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SALMON RIVER.\*

*Hic viridis tenera prætexit arundine ripas*  
Mincius.—*VRGIL.*

'Tis a sweet stream—and so, 'tis true, are all  
That undisturbed, save by the harmless brawl  
Of mimic rapid or slight waterfall,

Pursue their way

By mossy bank, and darkly waving wood,  
By rock, that since the deluge fixed has stood,  
Showing to sun and moon their crisping flood  
By night and day.

But yet, there's something in its humble rank,  
Something in its pure wave and sloping bank,  
Where the deer sported, and the young fawn drank

With unscared look ;

There's much in its wild history, that teems  
With all that's superstitious, and that seems  
To match our fancy and eke out our dreams,  
In that small brook.

\* This river enters into the Connecticut at East Haddam.

Havoc has been upon its peaceful plain,  
 And blood has dropped there, like the drops of rain ;  
 The corn grows o'er the still graves of the slain—  
     And many a quiver,  
 Filled from the reeds that grew on yonder hill,  
 Has spent itself in carnage. Now 'tis still,  
 And whistling ploughboys oft their runlets fill  
     From Salmon River.

Here, say old men, the Indian Magi made  
 Their spells by moonlight ; or beneath the shade  
 That shrouds sequestered rock, or dark'ning glade,  
     Or tangled dell.  
 Here Philip came, and Miantonimo,  
 And asked about their fortunes long ago,  
 As Saul to Endor, that her witch might show  
     Old Samuel.

And here the black fox roved, that howled and shook  
 His thick tail to the hunters, by the brook  
 Where they pursued their game, and him mistook  
     For earthly fox ;  
 Thinking to shoot him like a shaggy bear,  
 And his soft peltry, stripped and dressed, to wear,  
 Or lay a trap, and from his quiet lair  
     Transfer him to a box.

Such are the tales they tell. 'Tis hard to rhyme  
 About a little and unnoticed stream,  
 That few have heard of—but it is a theme  
     I chance to love ;  
 And one day I may tune my rye-straw reed,  
 And whistle to the note of many a deed  
 Done on this river—which, if there be need,  
     I'll try to prove.

## THE BLACK FOX OF SALMON RIVER.

The lines below are founded on a legend, that is as well authenticated as any superstition of the kind; and as current in the place where it originated as could be expected of one that possesses so little interest.

“How cold, how beautiful, how bright,  
The cloudless heaven above us shines;  
But 'tis a howling winter's night—  
'Twould freeze the very forest pines.

“The winds are up, while mortals sleep;  
The stars look forth when eyes are shut;  
The bolted snow lies drifted deep  
Around our poor and lonely hut.

“With silent step and listening ear,  
With bow and arrow, dog, and gun,  
We'll mark his track, for his prowl we hear,  
Now is our time—come on, come on.”

O'er many a fence, through many a wood,  
Following the dog's bewildered scent,  
In anxious haste and earnest mood,  
The Indian and the white man went.

The gun is cocked, the bow is bent,  
The dog stands with uplifted paw,  
And ball and arrow swift are sent,  
Aimed at the prowler's very jaw.

The ball, to kill that fox, is run  
Not in a mould by mortals made!  
The arrow which that fox should shun,  
Was never shaped from earthly reed!

The Indian Druids of the wood  
    Know where the fatal arrows grow—  
They spring not by the summer flood,  
    They pierce not through the winter snow.

Why cowers the dog, whose snuffing nose  
    Was never once deceived till now ?  
And why, amid the chilling snows,  
    Does either hunter wipe his brow ?

For once they see his fearful den,  
    'Tis a dark cloud that slowly moves  
By night around the homes of men,  
    By day along the stream it loves.

Again the dog is on his track,  
    The hunters chase o'er dale and hill,  
They may not, though they would, look back,  
    They must go forward—forward still.

Onward they go, and never turn,  
    Spending a night that meets no day ;  
For them shall never morning sun,  
    Light them upon their endless way.

The hut is desolate, and there  
    The famished dog alone returns ;  
On the cold steps he makes his lair,  
    By the shut door he lays his bones.

Now the tired sportsman leans his gun  
    Against the ruins of the site,  
And ponders on the hunting done  
    By the lost wanderers of the night.

And there the little country girls  
 Will stop to whisper, and listen, and look,  
 And tell, while dressing their sunny curls,  
 Of the Black Fox of Salmon Brook.

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Hannah Brainerd, sister of Judge Brainerd, born August 25, 1761, was married to a Mr. White, and had three children.

Susannah Brainerd, second sister of Judge Brainerd, was married to Timothy Gates, Jun., May 18, 1791. He was the son of Timothy Gates, Esq., born September 20, 1763, and long town-clerk of East Haddam. She died December 14, 1846; aged 74. Children:

Christopher Columbus Gates, born June 13, 1793.			
Maria	"	"	Feb. 15, 1796.
Sylvester	"	"	July 7, 1798.
Alfred	"	"	Feb. 7, 1802.
Prudence Emiline	"	"	Mar. 3, 1805.

Prudence Brainerd was married to Ebenezer Steel Gleason, of Farmington, July 25, 1791. Children:

William Henry Gleason, born Aug. 9, 1792.			
George Brainerd	"	"	Aug. 20, 1794.
Mary	"	"	May 15, 1796.
Isaac	"	"	July 12, 1798, died Nov. 15, 1815.
Dolly and Sally	"	"	Aug. 3, 1800, died Aug. 15, 1800.
Samuel	"	"	Jan. 20, 1802, died Jan. 29, 1803.
Sally, second,	"	"	Jan. 12, 1804.
Charlotte	"	"	June 2, 1806.
Prudence	"	"	May 8, 1808, died July 10, 1810.

Mary Brainerd was married to Isaac Chapman,



September 27, 1801, and had three children, Isaac Chapman, Daniel Brainerd, and Mary Tabitha Chapman. Mrs. Chapman died August 25, 1815; and he married Widow Prudence (Brainerd) Gleason, sister of his first wife, September 29, 1816, by whom he had one child, a son not named, that died in a few days.

Of William Henry Gleason and Mary Gleason, I know nothing further.

George Brainerd Gleason is postmaster at Malden, Massachusetts.

Sally Gleason, second, (who was at the time living with Isaac Chapman,) was married to Sylvester Gates, son of Timothy and Susannah Brainerd Gates, January 15, 1839.

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Hannah Brainerd, youngest child of Daniel Brainerd, and Hannah (Selden) Brainerd, of East Haddam, was married to Jabez Warner, of East Haddam, May 9, 1749, and had nine children:

Jabez Warner,	born	Aug. 19,	1750.
Susannah	"	April 9,	1753.
Hannah	"	Nov. 21,	1755.
Elizabeth	"	May 18,	1758.
Selden	"	Dec. 8,	1760.
Mehetable	"	Aug. 31,	1763.
Daniel	"	July 22,	1766.
Sarah	"	Mar. 6,	1769.
Lucinda	"	Mar. 29,	1773.

Mr. Warner was a farmer, and lived in East Haddam Society, a little north of the line of East Haddam.



The two sons, Jabez Warner and Daniel Warner, are understood to have lived and died single. Selden married, lived in Lyme, and there raised a respected family. As for the six daughters, one was married to James Ranney, lived and died in East Haddam, and left children; another was the wife of Elijah Graves; a third the wife of Richard Wyllys; a fourth the wife of Sterling Clark; a fifth the wife of Joseph Gates; and a sixth the wife of Samuel Phelps.

Stephen Brainerd, the fifth child of Dea. Daniel and Susannah Ventres Brainerd, married Susannah Gates. They settled in that part of Colchester which is now known as Westchester, on an elevation of ground, a little north of the line of East Haddam. Their removal was regarded then as a removal into the country: all around was a dense forest, and the deer were then so plenty, that they could be shot from their door. They were constituent members of the church in Westchester when it was formed, and had probably before belonged to the church in East Haddam. Their children were:

Susannah Brainerd,	born	September	29,	1731.
Elizabeth	"	"	December	17, 1733.
Hannah	"	"	November	2, 1737.
Mary	"	"	February	15, 1740.
Stephen	"	"	March	24, 1742.
Sarah	"	"	April	30, 1744.
William	"	"	August	27, 1746.

The mother of these children died April 29, 1793, aged 87, and was the first person buried in the South-west Cemetery in Westchester. The father died March 30, 1794, in his 96th year.

Of Susannah Brainerd, the first of their children, I can state nothing further.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to Samuel Brown, of East Hampton, and had nine children ;

Samuel Brown, born.		
Enos	" "	
Sally	" "	
Susan	" "	
Susannah	" "	May 1, 1788
Child not named,		Died soon after birth.
Roxy	" "	Feb. 23, 1792.
Sarah	" "	Jan. 28, 1794.
Dolly	" "	Nov. 5, 1795.

The father of these children died January 26, 1820, and the mother, May 20, 1823.

William Brainerd, jun., married Patience Foot, daughter of Nathaniel and Patience (Skinner) Foot, October 31, 1799. Children :

Jerusha Brainerd, born	Aug. 31, 1800
Nathaniel Foot	" " Aug. 20, 1802
Lucy Day	" " Nov. 4, 1804
Abigail Lucinda	" " Sept. 27, 1807
William	" " Feb. 23, 1810
Margaret Foot	" " July 6, 1812
Clarissa Loomis	" " July 19, 1814
Asa	" " Dec. 24, 1816
Harriet Atwood	" " Sept. 23, 1819
Samuel Newell	" " April 14, 1822
Roxy Meroe	" " March 23, 1824

William Brainerd, the father, died March 18, 1844; his wife survived him, and was recently living.

Jerusha Brainerd was married to Alfred Kellogg, son of Martin and Rachel (Hosford) Kellogg, May 6,

1823. She died November 6, 1828, aged 28, without children. Mr. Kellogg married Philela Carrier, and has several children by her. The family reside in East Hampton.

Nathaniel F. Brainerd married Lucy (Brainerd) Staples, his cousin, daughter of Joseph and Susannah (Brainerd) Staples, March 25, 1834. Children:

Amasa Skinner Brainerd,	born	April 6,	1835.
Arnold	"	"	died, aged 5 months.
Joseph Orren	"	"	1841, died July 6, 1844.
Ann	"	"	Feb., 1849.

Lucy D. Brainerd was married to William Brainerd, son of Bezaliel and Lydia (Deming) Brainerd, September 16, 1824. See Genealogy of Bezaliel Brainerd's family.

Abigail L. Brainerd was married to Samuel Ackley Brainerd, son of Stephen and Alice (Ackley) Brainerd, of East Hamilton, New York, September 26, 1832. She died August 30, 1834, aged nearly 26 years. They had no children.

William Brainerd, 3d, married Eliza Carrier, daughter of David and Fruin Carrier, of Westchester, July 13, 1837. Children:

William	Brainerd,	born	—
Amaziah	"	"	—
James Nelson	"	"	October, 1847.

Margaret Foot Brainerd is single.

Clarissa L. Brainerd was married to Stephen Brainerd Day, son of Asa and Ann (Marwin) Day, November 27, 1834. Children:

Hobart	Day, born, —, died on the day of its birth.
Abbey	“ “ —, “ aged about four months.
Everett Wm.	“ “ —,
Margaret Foot	“ “ —,
Almira Sheldon	“ “ —,
Roxy Meroe	“ “ —,

Asa Brainerd married Susan Elizabeth Buell, daughter of David and Mary Octavo (Day) Buell, of Westchester, March 15, 1846. Children:

Edgar Payson Brainerd, born August, 1848.

Leora “ “ March or April, 1851.

The other children are single.

Bezaliel Brainerd, the sixth child of Dea. Daniel Brainerd and Susannah (Ventres) Brainerd, born April 17, 1701, married three times. First, Mary Gates, daughter of Dea. Thomas and Hannah (Brainerd) Gates, November 30, 1727, who died March 1, 1742, in her thirty-ninth year. Second, to Elizabeth Warner, June 17, 1744, who died October 5, 1746. Third, to Phoebe Albany Alis Smith, May 19th, 1749, whose death is not recorded, and she is supposed to have removed from the place. Bezaliel Brainerd died October 9, 1749, in the forty-ninth year of his age, and his death was occasioned by the following melancholy circumstance. He had been advanced to the command of the first military company in East Haddam, and his soldiers were disposed to honor him upon this elevation. But in attempting this, one of them by the careless discharge of his gun wounded him in one of his legs, which produced a fatal mortification. By his



first marriage he had seven children; by his second, one; and by his third, one, as follows:

Hannah Brainerd,	born	Aug. 26, 1728,	died	Sept. 29, 1736.
Esther	"	"	Oct. 21, 1729,	" Dec. 19, 1737.
Mary	"	"	June 3, 1731,	" Jan. 10, 1739.
Francis (D.)	"	"	April 15, 1733.	
Susannah	"	"	Dec. 14, 1734,	" Dec. 22, 1737.
Bezaliel	"	"	April 15, 1737.	
Mary, 2d.	"	"	July 7, 1740,	" Oct. 12, 1754.
Daniel	"	"	Mar. 17, 1746.	
Enoch	"	"	Sept. 9, 1749.	

#### Fruin Brainerd.

Bezaliel Brainerd, son of Bezaliel and Susannah (Ventres) Brainerd, married Hannah Brainerd, daughter of William Brainerd, of Westchester, where they lived. He died August 21, 1822, aged 85, and his wife August 26, 1819, aged 81. Children:

Bezaliel Brainerd,	born	1759.
Mary	"	
Amaziah	"	
Hannah	"	
Darius	"	
Lucy	"	
Uri	"	
Nehemiah	"	

The first five of these children were baptized on their mother's account, July 13, 1766, she having been admitted to full communion in East Haddam, March 2, 1765. Hannah died October 27, 1776, aged eleven years. The other children were baptized as follows: Darius, August 30, 1769; Lucy, July 16, 1769, who died October 1, 1776, aged seven years; Uri was born

August 18, and baptized September 22, 1771. He died October 4, 1776, aged five years. Nehemiah was baptized May 29, 1774, and died of dysentery, September 27, 1776, aged two years.

Bezaliel Brainerd, jun., married Lydia Deming, daughter of Daniel and Sarah (Tisdale) Deming, of Norwich, October 21, 1787, sister of the celebrated schoolmaster Tisdale, of Lebanon. Children:

Laura Brainerd,	born	July 19,	1788.
Hannah	"	Dec. 4,	1790.
Lucy	"	July 17,	1793.
William	"	Oct. 29,	1795.
Phebe	"	Dec. 11.	1798.

The father of these children died June 25, 1827, aged sixty-eight; the mother was living in 1851, in her ninety-fourth year.

Laura Brainerd was married to Erastus Comstock, son of Abner Comstock, in November, 1805, and had four children:

Laura Brainerd	Comstock,	born	1806.
Erastus & Eliza,	twins,	"	"
Almira Elvira	"	"	"

Hannah Brainerd was married to Bezaliel Gates, jun., and had six children:

Hannah Ann	Gates,	born
William	"	"
Helen	"	"
Bezaliel & Sarah	"	"
John Calvin	"	"

Lucy Brainerd was married to Israel Foot, son of



Nathaniel and Abigail Foot, of Westchester. Children:

Samuel Mills	Foot,	born	Jan. 27,	1822.
Sarah Tisdale	"	"	Feb. 10,	1824.
Caroline Elizabeth	"	"	Mar. 12,	1828.
Lucy Ellen	"	"	Sept. 6,	1832.
Israel Otis	"	"	Nov. 9,	1834.
Milton Lathrop	"	"	June 15,	1837, died June 12, 1840.

William Brainerd married Lucy Day Brainerd, daughter of William and Patience (Foot) Brainerd, of Westchester, September 16, 1824. Children:

William Orren Brainerd,	born	April 25,	1829.
Abigail Lucinda	"	"	Jan. 1, 1835.

William O. Brainerd married Laura Almira Huntington, daughter of Dea. Samuel and Gennette (Gates) Huntington, of Middlefield, New York, October 9, 1751.

Phebe Brainerd was married to Silas Augustus Nichols, son of Silas and Freelope Chitsey Nichols, November 11, 1822. They moved to New Haven, but in two or three years returned to East Haddam, where they now live. Children:

Jane	Nichols,	born in	New Haven,	June 27,	1824.
Joseph Hull,	"	"	East Haddam,	Aug. 10,	1826.
Harriet Louisa	"	"	"	June 12,	1828.
Chitsey	"	"	"	Nov. 29,	1829, died
				June 18,	1831.
Ellen Hannah	"	"	"	Sept. 1,	1833.
Laura Brainerd	"	"	"	June 20,	1835.

Daniel Brainerd, half brother of Bezaliel, married first, Ann Marsh, of East Haddam, and after her death

idow Dorcas Gilbert, having by the first marriage two, and by the second, three children :

Ann	Brainerd, born	—,
Daniel Adam	“	“ —,
Robert	“	“ —,
Samuel Dimmick	“	“ —,
Dyer	“	“ —,

Ann Brainerd was married to Darius Gates, of East Haddam. Mr. Gates is dead. They had no children.

Daniel Adams Brainerd married Irena Brainerd, daughter of William Brainerd. See William Brainerd's family. They moved to East Hamilton, New York, and have had several children.

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JOSHUA BRAINERD, the third son and fourth child of Daniel and Hannah (Spencer) Brainerd, of Haddam, settled in East Haddam, at the place known as the Creek Row. He became the commander of the first military company formed in that place, and retained the command of the company until it was divided into two companies. At the time of the division, probably standing with his soldiers in full view of Connecticut River, he said, "With my staff, so many years since," naming the number, "I passed over this Jordan, and now I am become two bands." The first married Mary Olmstead, who died December 25, 1704, and afterward Mehetabel Dudley, of Saybrook, July 12, 1710. He died May 13, 1755, in his eighty-fourth year. His children were all by his second wife, viz.:

Mehetabel Brainerd,	born	April 20,	1711.
Joshua	“	Nov. 7,	1712.
Deborah	“	Aug. 12,	1714, died Sept. 2, 1714.
Daniel	“	July 17,	1715.
Lydia	“	Sept. 1,	1717.
Eleazer	“	Nov. 10,	1719.
Mary	“	Oct. 6,	1721.
Deborah	“	June 20,	1724.
Jeremiah	“	Mar. 14,	1727.
Timothy	“	Mar. 18,	1729.

Captain Joshua Brainerd died May 13, 1755, in his eighty-fourth year.

Mehetabel Brainerd, the eldest of these children, died May 13, 1758, and is buried in the old, abandoned, and neglected graveyard, near the line between East Haddam and Hadlyme Parishes. Some lines in addition to the ordinary inscriptions are inserted on her tombstone:

“Farewell, my child, &c.”

Joshua Brainerd, jun., married, first, Mehetabel Church, March 31, 1737, who died of the smallpox, July 23, 1771, in her fifty-eighth year, being born March 7, 1714. She is buried in the old yard, where Mehetabel is buried. After her death he married Mrs. Abigail Gates. He died himself, December 24, 1790, and is buried in the same yard. After his decease the widow was married to Isaac Ackley, and is interred in the graveyard by the Congregational Church. All the children were by the first marriage, viz. :

Joshua Brainerd, born	May 31, 1738.
Mehetabel " "	June 21, 1740.
Amasa " "	Aug. 9, 1742.
Huldah " "	Feb. 14, 1745.
Jonah " "	April 2, 1747.
David " "	Sept. 5, 1750.
John " "	Dec. 13, 1752, baptized Feb. 4, 1753.

The eldest and youngest of these children lived near each other.

Joshua Brainerd married Susannah Chapman, daughter of Francis and Susannah (Rowley) Chapman, August 26, 1762, and had six children:

Joshua Brainerd, born	April 30, 1763.
Reuben " "	April 14, 1765.
Charity " "	Aug. 4, 1767.
Susannah " "	Aug. 28, 1769.
Abigail " "	_____
Huldah " "	_____

The father died January 22, 1811. The time of the mother's death is not precisely known, for there is no monument over her grave, though both are buried in the Warner graveyard.

Joshua Brainerd, son of Joshua and Susannah (Chapman) Brainerd, though very young, was in the service of his country in the Revolution, and died, it is said, at Roxbury.

Reuben Brainerd died unmarried at an advanced age, June 17, 1843.

Charity Brainerd was married to Oliver Warner, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Warner, June 6, 1790. He was born April 13, 1765. Their children were:



Elizabeth Warner, born	April 6, 1791.
Charity	“ “ Mar. 20, 1793.
Oliver	“ “ Sept. 26, 1795.
Electa	“ “ Jan. 23, 1798.
Son, not named	“ Nov. 11, 1800, died 2d day after birth.
Abbe	“ “ April 20, 1801.
Orren	“ “ Sept. 3, 1805.
Clarissa	“ “ Sept. 28, 1808.

The first of their children was married to Thomas Moseley, son of Hon. Jonathan Ogden Moseley. She died September 16, 1842, leaving four children.

Charity died June 7, 1824.

Oliver Warner, jun., now Gen. Warner, married —— Blakesley, daughter of Rev. Solomon Blakesley, for some years an Episcopal minister in East Haddam.

Electa Warner became the wife of Abner C. Smith. She died April 24, 1824, aged 26.

Abbe Warner is single.

Orren Warner, Col. Warner, married Matilda Ann Willey, of Hadlyme.

Clarissa Warner is single.

Susannah Brainerd became the wife of Daniel Emmons, of Millington, and had four children: Joshua Brainerd Emmons, Daniel Chapman, William and George Emmons. The father died, and is buried in the Warner yard. The widow, spending her last years in Turkey Hill, in Haddam, with a son, where she died. She is buried in the graveyard in that school district.

Abigail Brainerd died unmarried.

Huldah Brainerd became the wife of Richard Brooks, of Hadlyme, and had three sons, Richard, Samuel, and Gustavus Brooks. The family lived at Comstock's Ferry.

Amasa Brainerd married Jedidah Osborne, daughter of the elder Dr. John Osborne, of Middletown, December 22, 1763. Children :

Mehetabel	Brainerd,	born	Feb. 2,	1766.
Chevers	"	"	Oct. 26,	1768.
Betsey	"	"	Aug. 18,	1770.
Anne	"	"	June 29,	1772.
Dyer	"	"	May 25,	1774.
Joseph Sherman	"	"	Sept. 5,	1776.
Amasa	"	"	Sept. 19,	1778.
Jedidah	"	"	July 13,	1781, died Oct. 10, 1787.
Mary	"	"	May 29,	1783.

Lieutenant Amasa Brainerd died November 26, 1815, aged seventy-three years.

Mehetabel Brainerd was married to Calvin Spencer, of Lyme. Their children were Calvin, Nancy, Hope, Jedidah, Elijah, Charles, and Betsey.

Mehetabel (Brainerd) Spencer died September 2, 1851. Her husband many years before.

Chevers Brainerd married Martha Champion, daughter of Israel and Mehetael (Fuller) Champion, September 10, 1795, and had five children by her. She died March 13, 1814, aged forty-one, and Mr. Brainerd married Widow Jerusha (Cornwall) Lord, relict of William Lord, October 15, 1814, and had by her four children. Children :



A son, not named,	born	Nov. 18, 1803,	died the same day.
A second son	"	July 1, 1805,	died the next day.
Lucretia Brainerd	"	Mar. 20, 1807.	
Martha	"	April 19, 1809.	
Mary Matilda	"	Feb. 22, 1812.	
Jerusha	"	July 28, 1815,	died Feb. 18, 1818.
Chevers	"	Nov. 7, 1817,	" Oct. 13, 1818.
Jedidah	"	Oct. 1, 1819,	" Aug. 10, 1844.
Sarah	"	Mar. 16, 1821,	" Jan. 2, 1840.

Lucretia Brainerd has been several years in some part of Louisiana, engaged in the instruction of youth, both in family schools and in seminaries.

Martha Brainerd was married as a second wife to Dr. Ira B. Blakeman, March 16, 1847. He was a native of Bridgeport, Connecticut, studied medicine in New Haven, and practised in New York about twelve years. He went into a consumption, took a voyage to the West Indies in hope of relief, and died at the Island of St. Thomas, February 11, 1850. His remains were brought back and are interred in the Landing Cemetery, at East Haddam.

Mary Matilda Brainerd is single, and lives at her father's.

Betsey Brainerd, sister of Mehetabel and Chevers, was married to Ephraim Warner, brother of Oliver and Daniel Warner. Their children were: Ephraim, Amasa, Chapman, and Betsey Warner.

Anna Brainerd was married to Martin Cone, jun., of Derby, Connecticut, and had four children: Martin, Rebecca, Betsey, and Amasa Brainerd Cone.

The mother died August 14, 1818, aged forty-six. The father some years before.

Dyer Brainerd, son of Amasa (and Jedidah Osborne) Brainerd, married Sally Seymour, daughter of Samuel and Anna Seymour, of that part of Norwalk which is now the town of New Canaan, January 26, 1811. She was born June 6, 1787. They lived in New York many years, where he was a grocery merchant, but on his retiring from business they removed in 1832 to Skeneateles, where he died June 24, 1849. The widow was living a few years since. Their children were:

George Washington Brainerd,	born	May	13,	1812.
Amasa	"	"	Oct. 9,	1814.
Samuel Seymour	"	"	April 11,	1817.
John Osborne	"	"	Nov. 22,	1819.
Joseph Sherman	"	"	Mar. 31, 1822,	died July 17, 1831.
Lewis	"	"	Feb. 6,	1825.
Sarah Maria	"	"	June 14,	1827.
Clinton	"	"	Sept. 25,	1829.

George W. Brainerd, a wholesale grocery merchant in New York, married Mary Ann Belden, daughter of Horace Belden, of East Haddam, October 23, 1838. She was born December 9, 1815. Children:

Josephine Brainerd,	born	July	28,	1839.
Georgiana	"	"	Jan. 4, 1842,	died Sept. 29, 1842.
George Belden	"	"	June 20,	1843.
Clarence	"	"	Feb. 13,	1846.
Walter	"	"	Jan. 2,	1849.
Minnie	"	"	Sept. 13,	1851.

Amasa Brainerd is a manufacturing jeweller in

New York. He married Jane Louisa Brown, of Chester, New Jersey, November 4, 1835. She was born November 13, 1816. Children:

Sarah Elizabeth Brainerd,	born	Sept. 23,	1836.
Mary Jane	"	Feb. 25,	1838, died Nov. 26, 1838.
Mary Jane	"	June 22,	1839,
Jane	"	Mar. 9,	1844, died May 28, 1844.
Dyer	"	July 12,	1845,
William Arthur	"	May 12,	1847.

Samuel S. Brainerd married Pamela Wilbur De Cost, daughter of Captain Nash De Cost, July 19, 1838. She was born November 3, 1815. Captain De Cost moved from the eastern part of New England, it is believed, before the birth of this daughter, and commanded for a long time a vessel which sailed from New York, but before her marriage moved to Skeneateles, where he spent the residue of his days. Mr. Brainerd is a merchant in St. Louis. Children:

Noah De Cost Brainerd,	born	July 21,	1839, died Aug. 28, 1839.
Pamela De Cost	"	April 11,	1843, " Feb. 12, 1846.
Ella	"	Mar. 20,	1845, " June 13, 1852.
Samuel	"	April 20,	1847.
Joseph Chevers	"	Dec. 22,	1848, died Aug. 29, 1851.
Virginia Hunter	"	Sept. 1,	1850.

John Osborne Brainerd has been a merchant in several places. He married Christina L. De Pew, of Poughkeepsie, New York, December 4, 1845. They had one child:

James Brainerd, born Jan. 31, 1851, died July 14, 1852.

Joseph Sherman Brainerd married Abbey Gelston, daughter of William and Cenath (Sears) Gelston.

They lived in the city of New York, where she died April 9, 1839, aged fifty-eight. The body was brought to East Haddam, and buried in the Landing Cemetery, He died in East Haddam, December 24, 1840, aged sixty-four. They had no children.

Lewis, Sarah, Maria, and Clinton Brainerd are single.

Amasa Brainerd, jun., lost his life by the following melancholy circumstance, as related upon his tombstone. "Sacred to the memory of Amasa Brainerd, jun., son of Lieutenant Amasa and Jedidah Brainerd, who received a mortal wound on his head by the falling of a weight from the bell, on Sunday, y<sup>o</sup> 22d of April, 1798, as he was about to enter the church to attend on Divine worship, who departed this life April 27th, in y<sup>o</sup> twentieth year of his age." The weight spoken of was attached to the bell to cause it to swing true. The occurrence produced a deep sensation, and the bell was rung no more for years.

Mary Brainerd, sister of Amasa, was living a few years since in New York.

Huldah Brainerd, sister of Joshua, Mehetabel, and Amasa, [See Joshua Brainerd, jun's children,] was married to Colonel David Spencer, and had two children, Samuel and Dorothy Spencer. She died ———, and Colonel Spencer married Mary Fuller, and had a greater number of children.

Josiah Brainerd, brother of Huldah, died single, December 15, 1806.



David Brainerd married Rachel Smith, daughter of Joseph Smith, and had four children. They removed to Stephentown, New York.

John Brainerd was a Justice of the peace, often a selectman, and several times a representative to the General Assembly. He married Anna Smith, daughter of Joseph Smith, in December, 1774. Their children:

Nancy Brainerd,	born	June 30,	1776.
Lydia	"	"	June 29, 1780.
Joseph	"	"	Mar. 5, 1786.

Nancy Brainerd was married to Daniel Warner, son of Daniel and Elizabeth Warner, December 25, 1801. Children:

Phœbe Ann Warner,	born	Nov. 9,	1802.
Catharine Gennette	"	"	May 27, 1804, died Oct. 23, 1806.
Floretta	"	"	Jan. 16, 1806, " Sept. 27, 1809.
Daniel Brainerd	"	"	Mar. 24, 1807.
Elijah Clark	"	"	Dec. 12, 1809.
Elizabeth Floretta	"	"	Feb. 12, 1812, died Aug. 17, 1845.
Amanda Malvina	"	"	Sept. 11, 1814.
John Chapman	"	"	Jan. 27, 1817.
Nancy Catharine	"	"	Jan. 24, 1818.

Lydia Brainerd was married to James Brockway, of Lyme, October 27, 1803, and had one child:

Joseph Brainerd Brockway, born May 25, 1805.

Mr. Brockway died January 25, 1806, and his wife February 22, 1834.

Joseph Brainerd married Sophia Smith, daughter of Captain Jeremiah and Temperance Smith, February 13, 1812. They lived in East Haddam many years, and then moved to Philadelphia, where he died in



1844. The widow returned to East Haddam, died in November the next year, and is buried in the Town Hill burying ground. They had no children.

Hannah Brainerd, the third child of Daniel Brainerd and Susannah (Ventres) Brainerd, was born June 12, 1694.

Noadiah Brainerd married Hannah Cone, daughter of ——— Cone, June 4, 1724. He was a deacon in the church in East Haddam. Their children:

Hannah Brainerd,	born	April 29,	1725.
Mary	“	“	April 27, 1727.
Noadiah	“	“	Mar. 10, 1729, died March 31, 1751.
Elizabeth	“	“	Aug. 12, 1731, died Jan. 15, 1732.
Elizabeth 2d	“	“	Jan. 27, 1733, died June 13, 1733.
Sybil	“	“	June 7, 1736.
Jared	“	“	Sept. 17, 1739.

Dea. N. Brainerd died Sept. 30, 1746, in his 50th year, and Hannah C. Brainerd, his wife, May 14,\* 1744, in her 38th year.

Hannah Brainerd was married to William Selby Dec. 26, 1744, and had by him two children. The mother dying Jan. 1, 1749, Mr. Selby married Dorothy Booge as his second wife Feb. 26, 1750, and had by her seven children. He died himself in East Haddam, and is buried in the Town Hill burying-yard. The children by his first wife were:

Jeremiah Selby,	born	Dec. 9,	1745.
William	“	“	July 23, 1747.

Jeremiah Selby moved to the Genesees, or to the

\* Town Records say 4.

country about the Genesee River, N. Y., married, and had a family of children. William married, settled in Hartland, and left a family there.

Mary Brainerd was married to Ebenezer Cone, jun., Jan. 8, 1846. Children :

Mary Cone,	born	March	8,	1746,	died	June	6,	1747.
Ebenezer	"	"	Jan.	30,	1748.			
Mary	"	"	Sept.	15,	1750.			
Phineas	"	"	Sept.	27,	1752.			
Lydia	"	"	Aug.	21,	1754.			
Olive	"	"	March	24,	1759.			

Sybil Brainerd was married to Aaron Cleaveland Oct. 21, 1751, and had one child :

Noadiah Cleaveland, born Aug. 11, 1753.

Mrs. Cleaveland having died July 5, 1755, Mr. Cleaveland married Eunice Spencer, and had three children by her: Dyer Cleaveland, born June 6, 1756; Olive, June 1, 1758; and Sybil, July 19, 1760.

Jared Brainerd married Sybil Bate, daughter of Joseph Bate, of East Haddam, April 19, 1763. Children: Hannah Brainerd, born about 1767; Sybil; Mary, born May 7, 1773 or 4; Sarah, Dorothy, Noadiah, Epaphroditus and Jerusha.

The father died Jan. 4, 1823, aged 83, and his widow July 13, 1826, aged 84.

Hannah Brainerd was married to Benjamin Wickwise, of Millington, March 28, 1803. They died in that parish, and had no children.

Sybil Brainerd died single, Nov. 7, 1815.

Mary Brainerd was married to Samuel Dickinson,

a native of Hadley, Mass., but at the time of the marriage an inhabitant of East Haddam, where they afterwards lived. Children :

Emily	Dickinson,	born	April 27,	1799,	died	July 20,	1838.
Epaphroditus	"	"	Jan. —,	1802.			
Philinda	"	"	April 7,	1805,	wife	of	Austin Smith Shaler.
Laureston	"	"	Aug. 11,	1807,	died	May 20,	1830.

The father is living ; the mother died May 6, 1851.

Sarah Brainerd was married to Gilbert Holmes July 12, 1791, and had four children : Sarah Holmes, Gilbert, Noadiah, and Mason Holmes. The family lived some time in East Haddam Society. The father is dead, and the mother was married as a second wife to Israel Cone, Esq., of Millington.

Dorothy Brainerd was married to Nathaniel Emmons, of Millington, Sept. 10, 1813, and has two children :

Eliphalet	Emmons,	born	Sept. 12,	1815.					
Huldah Ann	"	"	April 7,	1817,	died	the	14th	Nov.	following.

Eliphalet Emmons married Mary Swan, daughter of Diodate Swan, and had one child, which died soon. Mr. E. Emmons became enormously corpulent, weighing, some years ago, it was said, 400 pounds.

Noadiah Brainerd married Sylvia Southward, daughter of Andrew Southward, of Chester. They lived in Haddam, and had five children—Dorothy, Joseph, Susannah, who died aged seven years, Mariamne and Jared, who died about 1826. When the parents died, the writer cannot state.

Dorothy Brainerd lives with her brother Joseph in Meriden.

Joseph Brainerd married, but nothing has been ascertained concerning his family.

Mariamne Brainerd was married to Lot Ives, of Branford. They are missionaries to the Sandwich Islands, and had some years since one child, whose name is Joseph Ives.

Epaphroditus Brainerd died in the West Indies Aug. 4, 1796, aged 19.

Jerusha Brainerd was married to Samuel Watson, son of John Watson, of Millington, where they now live. They have had four children—Henry, Wolcott, Catharine and Huldah Watson.

Hannah Brainerd, the third child of Stephen and Susannah Brainerd, was married to Bezaliel Brainerd, of East Haddam. See genealogy of Bezaliel Brainerd, onward.

Mary Brainerd, the fourth child of Stephen and Susannah Brainerd, was married to Daniel Bigelow, of Marlborough. They had four children, named Zelotes, Stephen, Daniel and Polly.

Mrs. Bigelow died \*\*\*\*\*, and Mr. Bigelow married a second time.

Stephen Brainerd, the fifth child of Stephen and Susannah Brainerd, was married to Rachel Day, daughter of Joseph and Esther (Hungerford) Day, of Westchester, Oct. 30, 1765. Their children were:



Levi	Brainerd, born Dec.	5, 1766.
Stephen	“ “	Feb. 6, 1769.
Rachel	“ “	Dec. 23, 1770.
David	“ “	Oct. 5, 1772, died Dec. 20, 1775.
Elisha	“ “	Oct. 3, 1774.
David 2d	“ “	July 2, 1776.
Olive	“ “	Sept. 10, 1778.
Mary	“ “	Jan. 14, 1781.
Reuben	“ “	Sept. 24, 1782.
Clarissa	“ “	Oct. 6, 1784.
Sarah or Sally	“ “	Sept. 13, 1786.

Stephen Brainerd, the father of these children, was captain of a company of militia, called to the White Plains and to New London in the time of the Revolutionary war; perhaps to other places. He died June 26, 1820, aged 74, and Rachel Day Brainerd, his wife, died July 14, 1839, aged 93.

Levi Brainerd, the eldest of their children, was married to Sarah Smith, daughter of Thomas Smith, of Lyme. They had the following children born in Westchester, and after their birth they moved to Hamilton, Madison county, N. Y., where he died in 1849. His widow was living in 1851. The children were George, Frederic, Ephraim, Lucretia and Amasa Orland Brainerd.

Stephen Brainerd, the second child of Stephen and Rachel (Day) Brainerd, moved to Hamilton, N. Y., but afterward married Olive Ackley, of Westchester. One child was born to them :

Samuel Ackley Brainerd.

This son married Abbey Lucinda Brainerd, daugh-



ter of William Brainerd, Sept. 26, 1832. She died soon, and childless. Mr. Brainerd is living.

Rachel Brainerd, the third child of Stephen and Rachel (Day) Brainerd, was married to Elisha Fuller, son of a Mr. Fuller of Millington, May 9, 1793. They moved to Hamilton, N. Y., and had five children—Laura and Roxy, who died young, Sparrow, Deborah who died young, and Lorenzo.

Mrs. Fuller died, and Mr. Fuller married Widow Sally (Brainerd) Emmons, relict of Brainerd Emmons, and had by this marriage three daughters, who were named after the three daughters by the first marriage, Laura, Roxy and Deborah.

Elisha Brainerd, the fifth child of Stephen and Rachel D. Brainerd, married Anna Scovil, of Westchester. Their children were Day, Elisha, Luke and Stephen Brainerd.

They moved first to Hamilton and then to Ganessville, that more land might be purchased for the sons.

David Brainerd, the sixth child of Stephen and Rachel D. Brainerd, moved to Hamilton, where he married Michal Hale, and afterward to Michigan. They have had several children: Orville Brainerd, Lucy and Mary, twins, and others.

Olive Brainerd, the seventh child of Stephen and Rachel D. Brainerd, was married to Ezra Brainerd, son of William Brainerd, a cousin. \*They live in Hamilton. Their children are Oliver, Olive, Austin, Amaziah, Diodate and Maryatt.

\* Ezra Brainerd, Esq., married them.

The father, E. Brainerd, died March 25, 1851, aged 74 years, one month, and 15 days.

Mary Brainerd is single, and lives with her brother Reuben.

Reuben Brainerd was married to Roxy Brainerd, daughter of William and Lucy (Day) Brainerd. Children

Stephen Day Brainerd, born Aug. 10, 1813.

Dolly Lucretia " " Sept. 9, 1817.

A daughter, that died very young.

Mrs. Brainerd died April 11, 1824, aged 33; and Mr. Brainerd was married again to Ann Savage, daughter of Luther and Prudence (Goodrich) Savage, of Chatham, now Portland, November, 1826. They have one child:

Abbey Ann Brainerd, born December 8, 1827.

Clarissa Brainerd, daughter of Capt. Stephen and Rachel D. Brainerd, was married to William Lord, of Westchester. Children: Maria, Orren, George and Louisa.

Sarah Brainerd, child of Stephen and Susanna Brainerd, was married to her cousin, Orren Brainerd, son of William Brainerd. They moved to Hamilton; have had no children.

William Brainerd, the youngest child of Stephen and Susanna Brainerd, was married to Lucy Day, daughter of Abraham and Irena (Foot) Day, Dec. 31, 1772. Children:

William Brainerd, jun., born Oct. 23, 1772.

Elijah " " Mar. 23, 1775.

Ezra	Brainerd,	born	Feb. 10,	1777.
Lucy	"	"	April 22,	1778.
Amaziah	"	"	June 12,	1780.
Irena Day	"	"	Aug. 12,	1782.
Orren	"	"	June 11,	1784.
Child not named,		died	May 5,	1786.

Sarah Brainerd, the sixth child of Stephen and Susanna (Ventres) Brainerd, was married to Judah Lewis, of Westchester, and after his death, as a second wife, to Col. Henry Champion. The children of Sarah (Brainerd) Lewis and Judah Lewis, were Judah, Lydia, Sarah, Theodosia, Polly, and Benjamin.

Of Judah Lewis, second, nothing is known.

Lydia Lewis became the wife of Noadiah Taylor, of Middle Haddam.

Sarah Lewis became the wife of Gamaliel R. Tracy.

Theodosia Lewis became the wife of John Bates Olmsted, of Millington.

Polly Brainerd became the wife of John Stranahan, of East Haddam.

Benjamin Lewis married Polly Hall.

Abner Brainerd was admitted to the church in East Haddam, January 12, 1774. Probably this means to full communion, as we find that he had children baptized before this date. Thus :

Elizabeth Brainerd,	March 12,	1758.
Abner	"	Aug. 5, 1763.
Caleb	"	Nov. 2, 1766.
Seymour	"	Dec. 22, 1771.
Gurdon	"	April 10, 1774.

Abner Brainerd died November 4, 1844, aged eighty years.

The Chatham Records say that the children of Abner Brainerd and Elizabeth, his wife, were *born* as follows :

Caleb Brainerd,	Sept. 18, 1766.
Dorothy	“ Nov. 1, 1768.
Seymour	“ Nov. 1, 1771.
Gurdon	“ Mar. 7, 1774.

Abner Brainerd, of East Haddam, married Lucy Fuller, daughter of David and —— Fuller, April 24, 1791. He was born June 18, 1764, and his wife September 15, 1766. Their children were :

A daughter, not named,	born Oct. 17, 1792, died Oct. 20, 1792.
Abner Brainerd	“ Dec. 6, 1793.
Beulah	“ Oct. 12, 1795.
John Milton	“ Oct. 26, 1797.
Louisa Fuller	“ Sept. 23, 1799.
Emily	“ Feb. 18, 1802, died Sept. 20, 1805.
Edwin	“ Nov. 13, 1804.
Emily	“ Aug. 31, 1806.
Enos Lewis	“ July 15, 1808.

Abner Brainerd died ——, aged ——. His wife is still living, and with her son, John Milton Brainerd.

Abner Brainerd, jun., was married to Lucy Sage, daughter of James and Sarah (Fowler) Sage, December 2, 1819. She was born July 29, 1800. Children :

Russel Brainerd,	born June 6, 1821, died Feb. 28, 1830.
Martha Whittlesey	“ Feb. 20, 1824, “ May 15, 1843.
James Frederic	“ Feb. 15, 1827.
Francis Warren	“ Dec. 6, 1829.
John Sage	“ Sept 14, 1830.
Mary Elizabeth	“ Aug. 10, 1833.
Julia Eliza	“ Dec. 27, 1835.
Sarah Almira	“ July 10, 1839.
Lucy Ann	“ July 27, 1841.



James Frederic Brainerd married Ann Elizabeth Clark, daughter of Jonathan and Ann (Cone) Clark, January 29, 1851. He died the 8th of May following.

Francis Warren Brainerd married Adaline Lucy White, daughter of Philip and Lucy Niles White, of East Hampton, August 24, 1851.

John Sage Brainerd married Mary Catherine Clark, daughter of Joseph and ——— Clark, of Haddam, January 1, 1851.

Of Beulah Brainerd nothing is known.

John Milton Brainerd married Olive Silliman, daughter of William and Dorothy (Huntington) Silliman, January 1, 1829. Children :

Harriet Elizabeth Brainerd,	born	Sept. 30,	1829.
Henry Newton	"	"	Nov. 11, 1832.
Emily }	"	"	Aug. 11, 1835.
Ellen }	"	"	Aug. 11, 1835.
Son not named	"	Dec. 14,	1839.

Emily died August 7, 1838, and the son not named on the second day after its birth.

Hannah Brainerd, the second child of Dea. Daniel and Hannah (Spencer) Brainerd, was married to Thomas Gates, third son of George Gates, one of the first settlers of Haddam.\* In 1693, they lived in East Haddam, where he was a deacon of the church and a justice of the peace, and where he died April 20, 1734, in his seventieth year. Hannah, his wife, Sep-

\* It may be proper to state here that this George Gates was a justice of the peace, and commander of the first military company of Haddam. He lived generally on the west side of the Connecticut; but in his old age



tember 7, 1750, in her eighty-third year. Their children were :

Thomas	Gates,	born	Oct. 3,	1693.
Daniel	"	"	May 26,	1695.
Jeremiah	"	"	Mar. 17,	1697.
Hannah	"	"	June 8,	1699, died Oct. 1713.
Esther	"	"	Feb. 24,	1701, died Dec. 1. 1720.
Mary	"	"	Aug. 29,	1703.
George	"	"	Nov. 17,	1705.
Joshua	"	"	April 26,	1708.

Joseph Gates and Hannah Brainerd were married January 8, 1719. Children :

Hannah	Gates,	born	Nov. 16,	1719.
Joseph	"	"	Mar. 28,	1722.
Elizabeth	"	"	Aug. 12,	1724.
Bezaliel	"	"	Oct. 14,	1726.
Susannah	"	"	Nov. 24,	1730.
Aaron	}	"	"	Oct. 20,
Ann				

James Brainerd, the third child and second son of Dea. Daniel and Hannah (Spencer) Brainerd, married twice; first, Deborah ——, April 1, 1696, by whom he had eight children. This wife dying July 22, 1709, he married second, Sarah ——, May 23, 1711, by

lived with a son on the east side of the river. He died about 1725, aged ninety. His children were,

Joseph	Gates,	born	November 7,	1662.
Thomas	"	"	January 21,	1664.
John	"	"	April 5,	1668.
Sarah	"	"	March 16,	1670.
Mary	"	"	August 16,	1674.
George	"	"	Aug. 16 or 18,	1677.
Daniel	"	"	May 4,	1680.
Samuel	"	"	November 8,	1683.

whom he had six children. He lived in the first district of Haddam, and was a deacon in the church. He died February 10, 1742, aged seventy-three; and his second wife died ———, aged about eighty-nine years.

The children were born as follows :

James Brainerd,	born	Mar. 2,	1696-7.
Deborah	“	“	April 3, 1698.
Gideon	“	“	Mar. 4, 1699-1700.
Mary	“	“	Jan. 11, 1701-2.
Hannah	“	“	Mar. 7, 1703-4.
Abijah	“	“	Nov. 26, 1705.
Daniel	“	“	Aug. 2, 1707.
Mehetabel	“	“	July 13, 1709.
Sarah	“	“	May 2, 1713.
Zechariah	“	“	July 31, 1715.
Jephthai	“	“	Oct. 29, 1718.
Othniel	“	“	June 2, 1720, died Sept. 7, 1724.
Elizabeth	“	“	Sept. 28, 1723.
Heber	“	“	April 18, 1725.

James Brainerd, jun., married Anne ———, December 23, 1717. Children :

Benjamin Brainerd,	born	April 19,	1718.
Jedediah	“	“	Aug. 9, 1720.
Rebecca	“	“	Aug. 15, 1722.
James	“	“	July 9, 1725.
Hannah	“	“	Sept. 3, 1728.
Dudley	“	“	Nov. 4, 1732.
Ozias	“	“	Feb. 16, 1735, died April 22, 1739.
Jonathan	“	“	Dec. 16, 1737.
Ozias, 2d	“	“	Feb. 22, 1739-40, died Sept. 19, 1743.

The mother of these children died May 7, 1772, and the father, Sergeant James Brainerd, October 2, 1776.

Of Benjamin Brainerd nothing is known.

Dudley Brainerd, son of James Brainerd, jun., and Anna Brainerd, married Mina Ackley, November 13, 1754. Children:

A child still-born,	June 15, 1755.
Mindwell Brainerd, born	Sept. 4, 1756.
Timothy " "	Aug. 6, 1758.
Eli " "	June 11, 1761, died Nov. 3, 1761.
Anna " "	Dec. 25, 1763.
Experience " "	Oct. 3, 1765.
Eli, second " "	Sept. 11, 1767.
Dimmis " "	June 25, 1768.
Rachel " "	Jan. 29, 1770.
Cena " "	Aug. 24, 1772.
Lydia " "	July 20, 1773.
Eunice " "	June 24, 1775.
Jonah " "	June 1, 1778.
Virtue " "	June 4, 1780.
Cintha " "	May 20, 1782.
Dudley " "	Mar. 2, 1785.

Of Deborah Brainerd, second child of Dea. James and Hannah (Spencer) Brainerd, nothing is known. yes

Gideon Brainerd, the third child and second son of Dea. James and Hannah (Spencer) Brainerd, married Sarah Seldon, daughter of ——— Seldon. They had the following children: Mary, Gideon, Eliakim, born about 1732, Deborah, and Rebecca.

Mary Brainerd was married first to Jonathan Clark, who was lost at sea, and by whom she had one child. After his death she was married to Augustus Lewis, and had a number of children; Nathan, Josiah, born April 12, 1780, Ebenezer, Gideon, Anna, Augustus, Polly and Sally.

Gideon Brainerd, jun., married Sarah Richardson, daughter of Samuel Richardson, June 7, 1753. Children:

Drusilla	Brainerd, born	April 5, 1754.
Mary	" "	May 2, 1756.
Lovisa	" "	Mar. 6, 1758.
Joseph	" "	April 11, 1760.
Sarah	" "	May 9, 1762.
Gideon	" "	April 11, 1765.
Prudence	" "	July 27, 1767.
Heber	" "	Oct. 4, 1769.
Samuel Richardson	" "	Dec. 1, 1771.
Dorcas	" "	Aug. 25, 1774.

Gideon Brainerd, the father, died ———. His widow, Sarah (Richardson) Brainerd, died August 20, 1812, aged seventy-nine.

Drusilla Brainerd was married to Abraham Spencer. They lived in the Punset district, Haddam, and had five children:

Drusilla Spencer, born in 1771 or 2.		
Abraham	" "	—————
Sarah	" "	Feb. 14, 1778.
Rebecca	" "	April 3, 1780.
Prudence	" "	Mar. 1, 1782.

Drusilla Spencer was the wife and widow of Asa Ruddy. They had no children. She died May 10, 1840, aged sixty-eight.

Abraham Spencer married Temperance Butler, of Killingworth, and moved to Leyden, New York.

Sarah Spencer became the wife of Israel Douglas, of Chester, who also moved to Leyden.

Rebecca is the wife of Charles Smith.

Prudence is the wife of Joshua Douglas, of Chester.

Lovisa Brainerd died unmarried, aged thirty or more.

Joseph Brainerd died unmarried, in August, 1830, aged about seventy.

Sarah Brainerd was married to Frederic Smith, son of James Smith, in July, 1780. They moved with others of his father's family to Harpersfield, New York.

Gideon Brainerd, jun., married Hepzibah Hubbard, daughter of James Hubbard, December 17, 1790. She was born October 30, 1765. Children :

Miriam Brainerd,	born	Mar. 3,	1792,	died	Oct. 31,	1825.
Eleazer	"	"	July 7,	1793.		
Hepzibah	"	"	Dec. 12,	1794.		
Amy	"	"	Feb. 16,	1798.		
Drusilla	"	"	Dec. 15,	1799.		
Gideon	"	"	July 13,	1801.		
Benjamin	"	"	Sept. 17,	1803,	died	Nov. 1,
Esther M.	"	"	Feb. 4,	1806,	"	Nov. 17,
Harvey E.	"	"	Feb. 3,	1808.		

Mrs. Brainerd died December 14, 1825; and Mr. Brainerd married Widow Ackley, of East Hampton, April 10, 1826. He died November 12 or 13, 1835, in his seventy-first year.

Three of the above children, after having lived to adult years, sickened and died near each other: Miriam Brainerd, October 31, 1825: Benjamin, November 1, and Esther November 17, in the same year.

Eleazer Brainerd was graduated at Yale College



in 1818, labored some time as a city missionary in Charleston, South Carolina, but afterwards went to Ohio, where he was settled in the town of Portsmouth. He married a Miss Reed, of Boston. He died in 1854.

Hepzibah Brainerd was married to her cousin, Benjamin Hubbard, jun., son of Benjamin Hubbard, of Durham, New York. She died February 11, 1843. She had two children.

Amy Brainerd was married to Edward Rutty, son of Asa Rutty, April 12, 1821. They had eight children, five of whom are living. The family moved to the State of Maine about 1846, where he died a year or two afterwards; but his body was brought to Haddam for interment.

Drusilla Brainerd was married to Sylvester Austin, of Windham, New York, November 7, 1724, and has had three children.

Gideon Brainerd was a merchant in the village of Haddam. He married Lavinia Smith, daughter of Simon and Huldah (Brainerd) Smith, February 22, 1829; and after her death, November 19, 1835, aged twenty-seven, he married Elizabeth Smith, her sister, February 28, 1838. He had one child by the first marriage, and two children by the second.

Hepzibah Lavinia Brainerd, born May 25, 1831.

Gideon " " Aug. 20, 1840, died Feb. 14, 1843.

Lavinia Elizabeth " " Sept. 3, 1842, " Feb. 28, 1843.

Mr. Brainerd died December 8, 1843, aged forty-two.

Harvey E. Brainerd was married first to Harriet

Williams, daughter of Gideon Williams, of Berlin, April 5, 1829. She was born October 15, 1806, and died April 3, 1848. After her death he married Miriam Maria Brainerd, daughter of Alfred Brainerd, March 12, 1849. He had four children by his first wife, and has had several by the second.

Harvey Eldridge Brainerd,	born Jan. 21, 1830,	died Sept. 10, 1834.
Hepzibah Ann	“ “ Nov. 28, 1831,	“ Oct. 16, 1843.
Harvey Eldridge, 2d	“ “ May 31, 1836.	
Miriam Ellen	“ “ April 7, 1841.	

Names of the children by the second wife not known.

Prudence Brainerd, sister of Gideon Brainerd, was married to Nehemiah Tyler, son of Samuel Tyler, and had seven children: Charlotte, Abigail, Prudence, Samuel, Nehemiah, Nathaniel, and Drusilla.

Mr. Tyler died Sept. 4, 1840, in his 82d year, and his widow July 17, 1843, aged 76. She was a member of the church.

Heber Brainerd married Martha Tyler, daughter of Nathan and Experience (Smith) Tyler in November, 1796. Children:

Samuel Richardson Brainerd,	born Dec. —, 1797.
Clarissa	“ “ Oct. —, 1800.
Heber	“ “ Aug. 28, 1803.
Tyrus	“ “ Mar. 12, 1806.
Davis Smith	“ “ Oct. —, 1808.
Martha Eugene,	“ “ April 12, 1811.
Chauncey	“ “ Oct. 18, 1814.
Elizabeth	“ “ Feb. 12, 1818.

The father of these children died some years ago.

Samuel R. Brainerd married Philomela Ventres, daughter of Samuel and Catharine (Smith) Ventres, Nov. 1, 1826. They have no children.

Clarissa Brainerd was married to Smith Ventres, brother of Samuel R. Brainerd's wife, Jan. 6, 1825. Their children are :

Henry Austin Ventres,	born	May	20,	1826.
Sarah	"	"	Jan.	29, 1828.
Ann	"	"	Nov.	5, 1830.
Martha	"	"	Jan.	21, 1834.
Tyrus Ventres	"	"	May	21, 1837.
Albert	"	"	April 29,	1842, died Sept. 28, 1847.

Henry A. Ventres married Mary Brainerd Smith, daughter of Watrous and Sarah Smith, of East Had-dam, Nov. 28, 1850. They reside in Belleville, Essex County, N. J., where he is a school-teacher.

Heber Brainerd, jun., married Esther Maria Hub-bard, daughter of Simeon Hubbard, Oct. 16, 1828. Children :

Leander Brainerd,	born	Aug.	20,	1829, died	Jan. 8,	1834.
Davis Smith	"	"	April	8,	1831.	
Ezra Leander	"	"	July	14,	1836.	
Harrison Asahel	"	"	May	26,	1843.	

Tyrus Brainerd long acted as a book agent, and then for a few years engaged in other business. He died single, at Weaversville, Fauquier County, Va., July 19, 1845.

Davis Smith Brainerd was graduated at Yale Col-lege in 1834, studied theology at New Haven, and was ordained pastor of the Congregational Church in Lyme,

June 30, 1841. He married Ann Maria Chadwick, daughter of Capt. Daniel Chadwick, of Lyme, May 24, 1842, and has three children—Alice Maria, Henry Wait, and Ann Brainerd.

Martha E. Brainerd was married to Silas Smith, son of Hubbard Smith, of Harpersfield, N. Y., Sept. 6, 1835. They lived a few years in Haddam and then moved to Hartford. They have four children—James, Henry Brainerd, Amelia Elizabeth, and Julia.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to William Hollis Burr, son of William Burr, jun., Feb. 28, 1843. Children :

Catharine Elizabeth Burr, born Dec. 23, 1845.

Martha Clarissa           “       “       Feb. 29, 1848.

Samuel R. Brainerd, brother of Heber Brainerd, died young, of a consumption.

Dorcas Brainerd was married to Patrick Tyler, son of Joseph Tyler. They moved to Leyden, N. Y., where he died, and his widow is now the wife of a Mr. Miller.

Eliakim Brainerd, son of Gideon and Sarah (Selden) Brainerd, married first Eunice Doane, June 7, 1753, by whom he had one child. She died Feb. 15, 1756, and he married Lucy Smith, Oct. 28th, 1756, by whom he had nine children :

Jesse Brainerd, born March 4, 1754.

Oliver       “       “       Aug. 21, 1757.

Eliakim     “       “       Aug. 19, 1757.

John        “       “       June 4, 1764.

Phineas    “       “       Mar. 28, 1767.

Dan         “       “       Oct. 16, 1769.



Eunice Brainerd,	born	Aug. 6,	1772.
Lucy	"	"	April 23, 1775.
Elizabeth	"	"	June 25, 1778.
Aaron	"	"	Feb. 3, 1781.

The father of these children became a captain of militia, and it is believed was called into the service of his country in the Revolutionary war. He was elected a deacon in the church about 1784, and sustained that office until 1806, when he was relieved from that service by the election of a successor. He died January 17th or 18th, 1815, aged 83. His second wife died May 29th, 1821, aged 84.

Jesse Brainerd, son of Deacon Eliakim and Eunice *Doane* Brainerd, married Mary Thomas, daughter of Ebenezer Thomas, May 23, 1776. They lived in Had-dam until the autumn of 1803, when they removed to Leyden, Lewis County, N. Y. Eleven children were born to them before their removal, and one afterwards, as follows:

Seth Brainerd,	born	May 27,	1778.
Jesse	"	"	March 20, 1780.
Cloe	"	"	Nov. 30, 1782.
Mary	"	"	Nov. 14, 1784.
Eliphaz	"	"	Feb. 14, 1786.
Timothy	"	"	April 2, 1789.
Eunice	"	"	April 24, 1791.
Asher	"	"	May 13, 1793.
Hezekiah	"	"	Aug. 2, 1795.
Dorothy	"	"	May 29, 1797.
Mary 2d	"	"	May 13, 1800.
Thomas	"	"	June 17, 1804.

Seth Brainerd, the eldest of these children, died single, Aug. 13, 1813, aged 35.



Jesse Brainerd married Mary Kelsey, and had three children: Carlos Brainerd, born June 10, 1816; Lorenzo, in 1818; and Charles T., in April, 1826.

The father died December, 1854.

Carlos Brainerd was fitted for college, and entered and became a junior, having the ministry of the gospel in view, but died at Cincinnati, Sept. 25, 1837, aged 21.

Lorenzo Brainerd married Emily Grant, and had two children.

Charles T. Brainerd married Cornelia Adsit, and had two children. He died in 1850.

Cloe Brainerd died unmarried in Lewis County, June 24, 1813.

Mary Brainerd died June 11, 1794, between 10 and 11 years of age.

Eliphaz Brainerd died single, Aug. 18, 1815, in his 29th year.

Timothy Brainerd married Polly Sweet. Their children were:

Francis Brainerd,	born	Sept. 16,	1821.
Mary	"	July 27,	1823.
Lucy	"	March 23, 1827,	died May 30, 1850.
Henry	"	April 12,	1829.
Thomas	"	March 29,	1831.
Julia	"	May 23,	1833.
Mary Ann	"	Aug. 24,	1835.
Jesse	"	March 15,	1838.

The residence of the family is in Portage County, Ohio.

Francis Brainerd, the oldest of these children, married Mary Bright.

Eunice Brainerd was married to Comfort Bailey and had one child, Mary Bailey, who was married to Miller Edsil. Their children are: Julia, Vincent, Eunice, Mary, Edgar, Betsey, Josephine, Lucy and Henry. The family reside in Ohio.

Asher Brainerd married Clarissa Palmer. Their children were:

Mary T. Brainerd,	born	Mar. 27,	1818.
J. Maxon	"	"	May 20, 1819.
Jennette	"	"	April 20, 1821.
Eunice C.	"	"	Jan. 21, 1823.
Melissa	"	"	Aug. 24, 1825.
Elizabeth	"	"	Sept. 6, 1827.
James	"	"	Aug. 31, 1830.
Anson	"	"	Oct. 8, 1833.
Carlos M.	"	"	Jan. 13, 1838.
Edsil C.	"	"	Jan. 10, 1840.

The father of these children died in Hounsville, N. Y., in May, 1850.

Mary T. Brainerd was married to F. Reynolds. The family reside in Oneida County, New York.

J. Maxon Brainerd died July 27, 1841, aged twenty-two.

Jennette Brainerd died July 27, 1841, aged twenty years.

Eunice C. Brainerd was married to John T. Miller. They live at Glens Falls, New York.

Melissa Brainerd was married to John Davis. They live in Wisconsin.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to M. Blood. They reside in Jefferson County, New York.

James Brainerd was married to M. E. Nicherson. They reside in Wisconsin.

Hezekiah Brainerd married Lovisa Johnson, and had three children :

Harriet N. Brainerd, born Sept. 20, 1824.

Martha T.       "       "       Aug. 24, 1828.

Orson T.       "       "       July 28, 1831.

Harriet N. Brainerd was married to Edward T. Battles, of Chester, Ohio.

Orson T. Brainerd married Orissa A. Magee. They reside in Ohio.

Dorothy Brainerd, daughter of Jesse Brainerd, died August 27, 1813, aged sixteen years.

Mary Brainerd, second of the name, died May 17, 1847, aged forty-seven, at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Thomas Brainerd, the youngest child of Jesse and Mary (Thomas) Brainerd, studied the classics first at Lowville Academy, and afterwards with Oliver C. Grovenor, at Rome, New York, having in view a learned profession, while all his brothers who lived so long as to be settled in the world were farmers. He studied law for some time with Alanson Burnet, Esq., in Rome, and one year with Hon. Henry H. Foster, and Hon. Chester Hayden, of the same place. He united with the church in that town in 1825, and in 1827 gave up the study of the law, and spent a



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Thomas Braintree





year in teaching in Philadelphia. In October, 1828, he entered the Theological seminary in Andover, and was graduated there in the class of 1831. Immediately upon his licensure he went to the West under a commission from the Home Missionary Society, and in December of that year was ordained and settled as Pastor of the Fourth Church in Cincinnati, where he labored two years. In the spring of 1833, he became the editor of the "Cincinnati Journal," and conducted that publication and the "Youth's Magazine" until the autumn of 1836, nearly four years. During the two last years of that period, he assisted, by the invitation of the session, Rev. Lyman Beecher, D.D., in the Second Presbyterian Church in that city. In October, 1836, he was called to the pastoral charge of the Third Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, where he commenced his labors, February 1, 1837, succeeding Rev. Ezra Stiles Ely, Archibald Alexander, and Philip Milledoller, all doctors of divinity. In 1837, Mr. Brainerd received the same degree from Amherst College. Since his location in the city of brotherly love, he has admitted to the communion of his church eight hundred and seventeen persons, about six hundred and fifty of them on their profession of faith, the residue by letters of recommendation from other churches; the whole number making an average annual admission of about forty-one.

In November, 1836, Mr. Brainerd married Mary Whiting, daughter of Daniel Whiting, Esq., and niece

of Dea. Nathan Whiting, late of New Haven, Connecticut. They have had four children :

Thomas Brainerd,	born	Sept. 27,	1837.
Mary	"	"	Feb. 24, 1839.
Emma G.	"	"	Jan. 3, 1841.
Charles	"	"	Jan. 21, 1844.

The oldest son is now a member of one of the Classes in Yale College. Mary Whiting died January 18, 1846, and Charles, May 20, 1849.

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Oliver Brainerd married first Sally Arnold, daughter of James Arnold. She died January 25, 1814, aged fifty-four; and he married Widow Esther (Knowles) Smith, relict of Sylvanus Smith, December 1, 1819. His children were by the first marriage, viz.: Sylvester, Rhoda, Susannah, Joshua, Alfred, and Julia.

The father died May 7, 1834, and his second wife, Esther (Smith) Brainerd, August 29, 1843, aged eighty-four.

Sylvester Brainerd became captain of a military company. His wife was Hannah Hubbard, daughter of Job Hubbard. Their children were: Revillo Brainerd, Deanteum, Sophronia S., Sylvester Ezra, born about 1815, and Benjamin H. Brainerd.

The father of these children died February 22, 1843, aged sixty-four.

Revillo Brainerd married Liva Ann Dickinson, daughter of David Dickinson, July 30, 1828, and has had several children, two of which are dead, viz.:

Levi David, died August 11, 1842, aged six months; a female child died May, 1843, one week old.

Deantheum Hubbard Brainerd married Sally Maria Dickinson, daughter of Darius Dickinson, September 30, 1829, and has a number of children.

Sophronia S. Brainerd was married to Daniel S. Dickinson, November 5, 1838, and had three children: Aramitta Dickinson, Frances, and Mary, the last of whom died in October, 1851.

Sylvester Ezra Brainerd died July 9, 1836, aged twenty-one.

Benjamin H. Brainerd married Widow Mary Elizabeth Brainerd, relict of Philester Brainerd, January 30, 1850. They have one child.

Rhoda Brainerd was married to Orren Smith, son of Stephen Smith.

Susannah Brainerd was the first wife of Solomon Walkley, jun.

Joshua Brainerd died, aged about twenty years.

Alfred Brainerd married Esther Smith, daughter of Stephen Smith. She died September 3, 1835, aged forty; and he married, May 22, 1836, Abigail Thomas, daughter of Captain James and Jerusha (Clarke) Thomas. By the first marriage there were several children.

Eliakim Brainerd, jun., was married to Lucy Smith, daughter of George and Martha (Clark) Smith, June, 1790. She was born December 29, 1760. Children:

George Smith Brainerd, born April 16, 1792.

Cephas                   “                   “                   July 30, 1794.

Ursula	Brainerd, born April 9, 1797.
Austin	" " April 18, 1800.
Selden	" " April 11, 1803.

Mr. Brainerd died July 22, 1815, aged nearly fifty-six; his widow still survives him.

George S. Brainerd has been engaged both in farming and quarrying. He is now the senior deacon in the Congregational Church of Haddam. He married first Orpha Clark, daughter of John and Dorothy (Brooks) Clark, December 7, 1818. She was born April 30, 1797, and died October 8, 1849. As a second wife he married Elizabeth Huntington, daughter of Dea. Jonathan and Elizabeth Leeds Comstock Huntington, November 25, 1850. Children:

George Smith Brainerd, jun.,	born Nov. 14, 1819.
Ursula	" " Jan. 12, 1822, died Feb. 16, 1849.
Orpha Clark	" " Oct. 1, 1824.
John Austin	" " Feb. 5, 1828.
Mary Emma	" " Nov. 5, 1830.
Hezekiah	" " Sept. 5, 1833.
John	" " Dec. 5, 1834.
Lucy Ann	" " Dec. 4, 1837.

George S. Brainerd, jun., is settled in Libertyville, Lake County, Illinois, where his sister Ursula died single, February 16, 1849.

Orpha Clark Brainerd was married to Richard B. Bull, son of Clark Bull, of Essex, September 25, 1843. He was much employed in school keeping, and for a considerable time had the charge of the select school in the north part of Durham Street, in the town of that name. He has since studied theology, entered



the ministry, and is now pastor of the Congregational Church, in Sinclairville, town of Charlotte, Chatauque County, where he was installed March 14, 1855. They have one child :

George Brainerd Bull, born October 28, 1846.

John Austin Brainerd died March 13, 1835, aged seven years.

Mary Emma Brainerd was for some time assistant teacher in an academy at Falmouth, Massachusetts. She is now teaching in a select school, at Sinclairville.

Hezekiah Brainerd died March 13, 1834.

John Brainerd lives at home, and has been repeatedly employed as a school teacher in the winter season.

Lucy Ann Brainerd died April 31, 1838.

Cephas Brainerd lived upon the homestead of his father—was a farmer. He became the captain of the militia company in Haddam town. He married Cynthia Spencer, daughter of Captain David and Dimmis Brainerd Spencer, February 14, 1821. He died February 5, 1852, and his widow on the 29th of the same month, aged fifty-nine. Their children were :

Jane	Brainerd, born Feb. 8, 1822, died June 5, 1824.
Martha Elizabeth	“ “ Sept. 10, 1825.
Leonidas	“ “ May 5, 1828, died Dec. 26, 1828.
Leonidas, 2d	“ “ Feb. 8, 1830, “ Oct. 26, 1830.
Cephas	“ “ Sept. 8, 1831.
Cynthia Virginia	“ “ Aug. 20, 1836.

The two surviving sisters of Cephas Brainerd, Martha Elizabeth and Cynthia Virginia Brainerd, live



in the house of their late father, and keep up a family establishment.

Cephas Brainerd, the surviving son, lived at home until the beginning of 1853, having been engaged some time in the study of law, and then moved to the city of New York, where he completed his preparatory course in the office of Hon. Samuel A. Ford and William E. Curtis, Esq. He was admitted to the bar in New York, in September, 1855, and is now practising in the city in connection with Hon. Truman Smith and E. Seeley, Esq.

Ursula Brainerd was married to Major Arnold Hazelton Heyden, October 13, 1823. They have had seven children :

Ann Lord	Heyden,	born	Sept. 5,	1814.
Arnold H.	"	"	Oct. 27,	1826.
Randolph	"	"	Aug. 1,	1829.
Ralph	"	"	Feb. 19,	1832, died May 11, 1832.
Ralph Kirke	"	"	Mar. 6,	1835, " Oct. 20, 1835.
Preston Kirke	"	"	Feb. 13,	1836.
Ursula B.	"	"	Mar. 25,	1839.

Ann L. Heyden was married to Joseph W. Brackett, October 21, 1847, and had one child :

Joseph Brackett, born March 30, 1849.

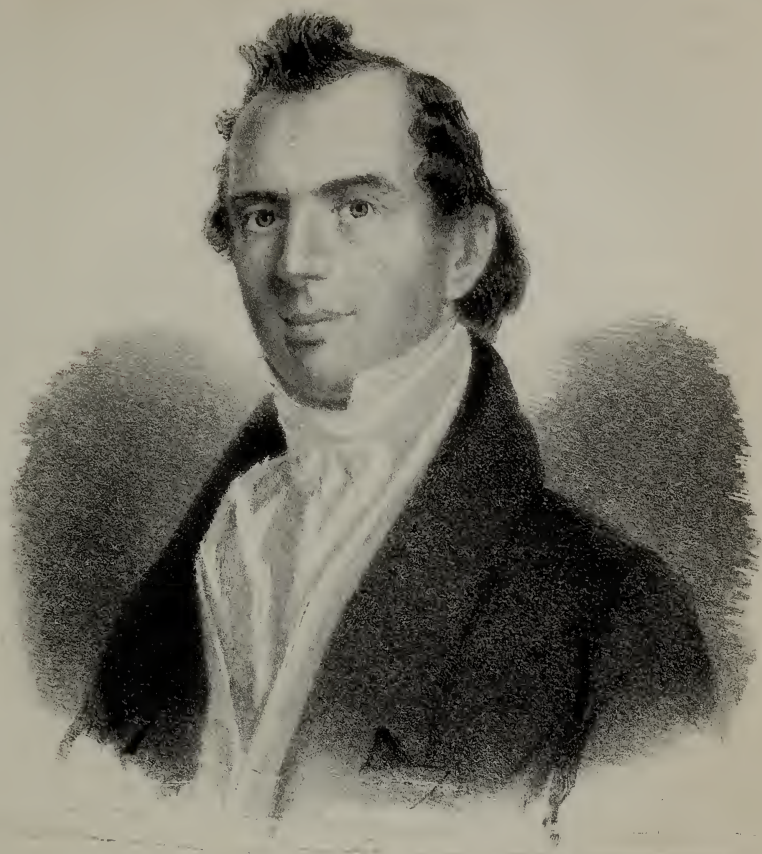
The father died October 17, 1853.

Arnold H. Heyden lives in Illinois.

Randolph Heyden lives in Meriden.

Preston Kirke Heyden lives with his parents in Haddam.

Austin Brainerd studied medicine with Dr. Andrew



Austin Bannard



F. Warner, of Haddam, Edward S. Cone, of Middletown, and Silas Fuller, of Columbia, afterwards physician to the Retreat at Hartford. He also attended medical lectures at New Haven. He practised first in Providence, then in Brooklyn, and lastly in New York, where he was much employed. During the rage of the cholera in 1849, being much among the sick, he was attacked with that terrible disease at six o'clock on the 14th of July, and expired at four the next morning.

His wife was Elizabeth Brackett, of New York, by whom he had two children :

Louisa Brainerd, born April 16, 1838, died Mar. 22, 1844.  
 Charles Warren " " Dec. 25, 1844.

He is with his mother at Birmingham, Connecticut.

Selden Brainerd was exceedingly infirm from a child, and at times very nervous. He died November 18, 1848.

John Brainerd, the fourth child of Dea. Eliakim and Lucy (Smith) Brainerd, died single, March 28, 1803, aged thirty-eight.

Phineas Brainerd, brother of John, settled as a farmer in Moromos in Middletown. He married Mabel Lucas, daughter of Abner Lucas, of that town, who died June 1, 1838, aged sixty-one. He died July 31, 1849, aged eighty-two. Their children were :

Allen Brainerd, born Feb. 21, 1798.  
 Harriet " " Feb. 23, 1800.  
 Clarissa " " Dec. 25, 1802.

Phineas Brainerd,	born	April 16,	1804.
Mabel	“	“	Aug. 23, 1806.
Mary Ann	“	“	April 20, 1808.
John	“	“	Mar. 1, 1810.
Jeremiah	“	“	May 30, 1813.
Cyrus	“	“	Jan. 20, 1816.
Infant son	“	“	Oct. 24, 1818, who died soon.

Allen Brainerd married first Roxanna Tryon, daughter of David Tryon, of Middletown, December 18, 1828. They had one child, Mary Ann Brainerd, born February 20, 1833. Mrs. Brainerd, in a state of delirium, drowned herself in Connecticut River, September 9, 1833, aged thirty-eight. Mary Ann, the daughter, died September 12, 1840.

As a second wife, Mr. B. married Emily Matilda Penfield, daughter of John Penfield, of Portland, January 2, 1839, by whom there is no issue. She was born January 29, 1806.

No others of the children have been married excepting John E. Brainerd. He married Louisa Freeman, daughter of Israel and Deborah (Goffe) Freeman, of Middle Haddam, September 25, 1843. She was born February 3, 1820. Their children are:

Harriet Louisa Brainerd,	born	Sept. 23,	1844.
Franklin Freeman	“	“	Sept. 1, 1845.
Henry	“	“	Aug. 18, 1847.

Harriet Brainerd died September 19, 1834; Phineas, August 14, 1844; Mary Ann, August 20, 1828. Cyrus was drowned on the night following the 23d of September, 1853. In the latter part of that day he



had been across the river to Middle Haddam Landing, accompanied by a man of the name of Rich. As the evening came on, they attempted to re-cross the river; a heavy fog rested upon it, and instead of reaching Moromos directly, they struck on the east side, some distance below, against the brick-yard of Arza Freeman. There they made another attempt to cross, but in doing so Brainerd fell overboard and was drowned. Great efforts were made to find the body for three successive days, but it was not recovered until it began to float.

Dan Brainerd, brother of Phineas, is a farmer in Haddam. He married Widow Zeruiah (Williams) Pardee, relict of Orren Pardee,\* in 1835, and has two children :

Daniel Brainerd, born Feb. 17, 1836.

Mary " " Feb. 11, 1839.

Eunice Brainerd was married to Jonathan Brainerd, son of Jephthai and Anna (Fiske) Brainerd, afterwards wife of Lieut. Thomas Shaler. See Genealogy of Jephthai Brainerd.

Lucy Brainerd died single, April 5, 1842, aged sixty-seven.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to John Smith, son

\* Zeruiah Williams was born July 1, 1800, and was married to Mr. Pardee, April 26, 1822, by whom she had three children :

Orry Ann Pardee, born May 23, 1824.

Warren Washington " " Nov. 28, 1826.

Harriet Lucretia " " May 6, 1829.

The family came to Haddam from Southington.

of John and Martha (Shaler) Smith. He was born Aug. 12, 1776. She died August 25, 1813, leaving two children :

John Brainerd Smith, born Nov. 25, 1811.

A female infant, " Aug. —, 1813, which died in 2 or 3 weeks.\*

Aaron Brainerd married first Lucy Smith, daughter of Stephen and Esther (Church) Smith, October 8, 1818, by whom he had two children :

Mary Ann Brainerd, born June 24, 1819.

Charles Smith " " June 26, 1821.

Mrs. Brainerd died Feb. 9, 1831, aged fifty, and Captain Brainerd married Fanny Hazelton, daughter of Simon Hazelton, September 19, 1831, by whom he had no children. Captain B. died September 9, 1849. His widow is living with one of her relatives.

Mary Ann Brainerd was married to Col. Charles A. T. Dickinson, son of Arza and Phebe (Crooke) Dickinson, March 7, 1839. They had two children :

Aaron Brainerd Dickinson, born Aug. 5, 1840.

Ann Genora " " Oct. 29, 1842.

Charles Smith Brainerd was advanced by military promotions to the command of a company. He married Silva Arnold, daughter of Horace and Silva *White* Arnold, November 2, 1842, and had three children :

\* Mr. Smith married as a second wife, Widow — (Tyler) Brainerd, relict of Captain Chauncey Brainerd. They lived in Middletown, Upper Houses, now Cromwell, and had three children :

George Edgar Smith, born Dec. 15, 1815.

Elizabeth " " Nov. 16, 1817.

Caleb " " Nov. 16, 1819.

Mr. Smith died about 1839.

Louisa Fidelia Brainerd, born Nov. 21, 1843.

Charles Edgar " " June 5, 1846, died Sept. 14, 1849.

Juliet " " Aug. 31, 1848.

Captain C. S. Brainerd died September 13, 1849, and his widow was married to Warren Washington Pardee, and had one child by him, Harriet Ellen Pardee, born September 12, 1853.

The father died June 12th, the following year.

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Mary Brainerd, fourth child of Dea. James Brainerd, of Haddam, is supposed to be referred to in the following Middletown record:

"Nathaniel Johnson, of Middletown, and Mary Brainerd, of Haddam, were married November 9, 1722. Their children were: Nathaniel, Samuel, Elizabeth, Mary, Deborah, Nathaniel, Prudence, Mabel, and James. Their mother died June 21, 1750, and Lieutenant Nathaniel Johnson, the father, May 2, 1751."

As for Hannah, the fifth child of Dea. James Brainerd, Abijah, the sixth, (who settled on Haddam Neck,) and Daniel, the seventh child, no further information can be given.

Mehetabel Brainerd, the eighth child of Dea. James Brainerd, of Haddam, is supposed to be the female spoken of in the following record in Middletown. [See the first Register Book of mariages and births, page 56.]

Nathaniel Roberts and Mehetabel Brainerd were married April 8, 1731. Their children were:

Deborah Roberts, born Mar. 13, 1731--2.  
 Mehetabel " " Sept. 10, 1733.  
 Nathaniel " " July 9, 1735.

The father of these children died before the birth of his last child, viz.: March 24, 1735.

Of Sarah Brainerd, the ninth child of Dea. James Brainerd, and of Zechariah and Jephthai, the tenth and eleventh, the writer can state nothing more.

Heber Brainerd was married to a woman whose given name was Esther, February 28, 1744--5. What time he died I do not know. His wife died July 2, 1789. Children:

Zechariah	Brainerd, born Dec. 13, 1745, died April 15, 1756.
Esther	" " Nov. 8, 1747.
Jephthai	" " Nov. 16, 1749.
Elizabeth	" " Dec. 21, 1751, died young.
William	" " July 6, 1757, " Oct. 20, 1755.
Zechariah, 2d	" " Nov. 28, 1758.
Elizabeth, 2d	" " Nov. 17, 1759.
Prudence	" " Aug. 12, 1764.
Damaris	" " July 17, 1766.
Huldah	" " Mar. 31, 1771.

Damaris Brainerd was married to Captain David Spencer, May 25, 1788. Children:

Thomas	Spencer, born Dec. 19, 1788.
Esther	" " Oct. 27, 1790.
Cynthia	" " Feb. 5, 1793.
Jehoshaphat	" " July 25, 1795.
David	" " Aug. 21, 1797.
Damaris	" " Mar. 15, 1799.
Brainerd	" " June 5, 1802.
Huldah	" " April 15, 1805.
Atwood	" " Oct. 23, 1808.
Albert	" " Dec. 27, 1811.



The mother having died, Captain Spencer married Widow Martha Doane Pelton, who survived him, but died suddenly at Madison, on the night following the 29th of July, 1853. Her death occurred at the house of her nephews, Philander and John Lewis, sons of Levi Lewis, with whom her sister Lewis lived.

Jephtha Brainerd, the third child of Heber and Esther Brainerd, married Anna Fiske, daughter of John Fiske, December 20, 1770, and had two children :

Jonathan Brainerd, born May —, 1773.

Concurrence “ “ \_\_\_\_\_

The father having died, his widow was married to Lieutenant Thomas Shaler, in November, 1781, and had five children by him; Elizabeth, Thomas, Israel, Wells, and John.

Elizabeth Thaler died in 1855.

Thomas Shaler has been captain of a military company. He married Abigail Tyler, daughter of Nehemiah Tyler, and has a son who bears his name.

Israel Thaler was graduated at Yale College, and has been a minister of the gospel many years in Ohio. He is married, and has a large family.

Wells Shaler died single many years since.

John Shaler was much employed in early life in keeping school in this winter season, and was very successful in this important service. He was a deacon in the Baptist Church in Haddam, and very efficient in promoting its welfare. His wife was Betsey Ventres, daughter of John Ventres, by his first wife.



They had one child, a daughter, wife of a Mr. Clark, who moved some years since to Illinois. The deacon moved his family the last year to that State, that they might spend the remainder of life with their children.

Jonathan Brainerd, a carpenter and joiner, married Eunice Brainerd, daughter of Dea. Eliakim and Lucy (Smith) Brainerd, and soon moved to Rome, New York. They had six children; Joanna Brainerd, born in 1797, Jared in 1800, Lucy in 1803, Roxanna in 1805, Jephthai in 1809, and Eunice E. in 1811.

Mr. Brainerd and his wife are both dead.

Several of the family became professors of religion. All the children married with the exception of Jared. The sons were farmers.

Joanna Brainerd was married to Bernard Smith in 1835.

Lucy Brainerd was married to James McHang, December 31, 1822, and has four children:

John Brainerd McHang,	born	December,	1823.
Jane Ann	"	"	1827.
Don Pedro	"	"	1832.
Joanna	"	"	1834.

The eldest of these children is a manufacturer and dealer in firearms, ammunition, cutlery, &c. Don Pedro is a merchant.

A grand-daughter of Jonathan Brainerd, probably Jane Ann Brainerd, is the wife of J. P. Wolcott, a saddler, and has three children:

Alice Algeria Wolcott,	born	in	1848.
James Deloss	"	"	1850.
Julia Joanna	"	"	1853.

Roxanna Brainerd was married to Daniel Moulton, a gardener, January 10, 1823, and has one child :

Daniel Moulton, jun., born in 1824.

Jepthai Brainerd married Ellen Johnson, in 1835, and has nine children :

Roxy or Roxanna Brainerd,	born in 1836.
Lansing J.	“ “ 1837.
George Gray	“ “ 1839.
Lavantia Jane	“ “ 1841.
Victoria A.	“ “ 1843.
Charles B.	“ “ 1846.
Mary Augusta	“ “ 1849.
Jonathan M.	“ “ 1851.
Franklin	“ “ 1853.

Eunice E. Brainerd was married to Joseph W. Hawley. They have one child :

Joseph Hawley, born in 1838.

Concurrence Brainerd was married to Roswell Sheldon, of Branford.

Abijah Brainerd, the sixth child of Dea. James and Deborah Brainerd, married Esther Smith, of Had-dam, December 28, 1727, and after her death, Thank-ful Williams, and had the following children :

Othniel Brainerd,	born June 5, 1728.
Simon	“ “ Oct. 7, 1730.
Deborah	“ “ Sept. 17, 1732.
Esther	“ “ July 10, 1734.
Lydia	“ “ Aug. 18, 1736.
Zilpah	“ “ Jan. 16, 1738.
Abijah	“ “ Feb. 22, 1739, died of rattles very young.
Leah	“ “ Dec. 12, 1740.
Cornelius	“ “ _____
Rachel	“ “ Feb. 17, 1744.

Dorcas Brainerd,	born	Feb. 19,	1746.
Urijah	"	Feb. 27,	1748.
Asaph	"	Mar. 7,	1750.
Shubael	"	Jan. 12,	1752.
Leah	"	_____	
Mercy	"	_____	
Thankful	"	_____	
Jepthai	"	_____	

It is understood that there were nineteen children in this family, and that all excepting the one that died of rattles lived to adult age. It may be that the child not referred to in this list was Abijah.

Othniel Brainerd married Lucy Swaddle, of Middletown, May 10, 1750, by whom he had six children. She died soon after the birth of her last child, and Mr. Brainerd married Widow Jerusha (Shaler) Kilbourn, relict of Samuel Kilbourn, of Westchester, June 26, 1764, by whom he had three children. Most, if not all the first children, were born in Middle Haddam; the three last in East Hampton. They were born as follows:

Lucy Brainerd,	Mar. 29,	1751.
Lois	Sept. 15,	1753.
Othniel	Sept. 19,	1755.
Zuba	Oct. 10,	1756.
Esther	May 10,	1761.
Seba	April 14,	1763.
Ansel	about	1766-7.
Abigail	"	1768.
Oliver	Aug. 20,	1770.

The father died December 10, 1816, aged eighty-eight, and his second wife, August 10, 1806, aged seventy-seven.

Lucy Brainerd, the first-born of these children, was married to Isaac Brown. They lived in different places, and had two children; Lucy and Sila Brown.

Lois Brainerd was married to John Johnson, of East Hampton. She died in 1836. He died June 28, 1842, aged eighty-four. Their children were: Phebe Brainerd, who became the wife of Elijah Hubbard; Lois, wife of Henry Jackson; Lucy, wife of John Norton; Nancy, wife of David Wyllys; Liva, wife of Richard Carrier; Jared, who married Sarah Ransom; and Enos, who married Anna Parmalee.

Othniel Brainerd, jun., was seven years in the war of the Revolution, and about two years before its close he received an orderly sergeant's warrant. His honorable discharge, signed by General Washington, is in the hands of his only child, Buckley Brainerd, of whom we shall have occasion to speak presently. He married Grace Stocking, daughter of Benjamin Stocking, of Portland, July 25, 1782. She was born May 8, 1763. The parents of this couple, on both sides, were members of the Episcopal church at Middle Haddam Landing. Othniel Brainerd moved with his family to Winsted, where he lived eleven years; thence he moved to Paris, New York, where he lived nineteen years; and thence to Madison County, where he died May 27, 1832, and his wife April 7, 1831. Their son,

Buckley Brainerd, was baptized May 25, 1784.

He married Mela Blakesley, daughter of Eli and



Lettuce Blakesley, of Litchfield County, Connecticut, June 13, 1805. She was born June 4, 1786. His employment has been farming. They moved from Litchfield County to Paris, in 1796, and thence to Liberty, Kenosha County, Wisconsin. For a time he has suffered from a paralytic shock. The children of Buckley and Mela (Blakesley) Brainerd are :

Philo	Brainerd, born	Mar. 20, 1806.
Phebe	"	Dec. 23, 1807.
Mark	"	Dec. 8, 1809.
Orren	"	Aug. 19, 1812.
Alexander S.	"	Dec. 8, 1814.
George	"	Mar. 12, 1818.

Philo Brainerd is a goldsmith by trade. He married Pamela Roberts, in 1844; moved to Wales, Erie County, New York. They have had six daughters: Adell, born September 1829, now the wife of a Mr. Bates, and who had some time since two children; Ida, who is the wife of Nathaniel Smith, and had one child, Phebe, who is married; Julia, Maria, and Emma.

The mother of these children died instantly by disease of the heart, about 1850, while on a journey.

Phebe Brainerd, sister of Philo Brainerd, was married to Ebenezer Hall, a farmer, son of Joseph Hall, of Guilford, Connecticut, October 13, 1828. After their marriage they lived in Perryville, and took care of his father and mother during their life. In 1853, they moved to Liberty, where they are taking care of her parents. They have an only child, Sergeant E. Hall,



who married Betsey Hall, daughter of John C. Hall, April 8, 1849. She died August 5, 1850.

Mark Brainerd married Maria Bush, in November, 1831, and has three children :

Benjamin Brainerd,	born	Jan.	3,	1833.
Maria	"	"	Dec. —,	1835.
Helen	"	"	July —,	1839.

The second of these daughters is the wife of Dow Scott, from the State of Maine.

The father learnt the trade of blacksmith in Vernon, New York, where he married his wife, and where he lived until 1846, when he moved to Sheboygan Falls, in Wisconsin. He is a man of great skill and tact in his business, and has taught his son Benjamin the same trade.

Orren Brainerd married Almira Woodruff, in Connecticut, March 9, 1834, and moved soon after to Madison County, New York. They now live near his father in Wisconsin, where he is engaged in farming. They have four children :

Lucretia Brainerd,	born	Dec.	24,	1836.
Ellen	"	"	June 28,	1839.
Eliza	"	"	Oct. 20,	1841.
Caroline	"	"	Jan. 20,	1844.

Alexander S. Brainerd fell from a horse, September 6, 1825. The horse stepped back upon his head, the cork of a shoe penetrated his skull, and in an instant he was a corpse, the brains oozing from the wound.

George Brainerd married Mary Jane Swartwout, June, 1851, in the city of Troy, New York, where

they live, and where he is overseer in a large carpet factory. They have one child only: Curtis Buckley Brainerd.

Zuba Brainerd, sister of Othniel Brainerd, jun., was married to Uriah Skinner, of that part of Bolton, which is now Manchester, April 16, 1782. They lived a few rods from the line of East Glastenbury Society, where perhaps they had ecclesiastical connections, as may have been true of the family of Samuel Skinner, who married a sister of Zuba Brainerd. They moved to Paris, New York, and are said to have been a prosperous family. They had seven children:

Levi Skinner, born in	1783.
Lucy " "	1786.
Aaron " "	1788.
Zuba " "	1790.
Polly " "	1792.
Lydia " "	1794.
Lovina " "	1796.

Mrs. Skinner died in 1818, aged sixty-eight, in Genesee County; and Mr. Skinner in 1847, in Alleghany County. It is understood that they and their children were all professors of religion.

Levi Skinner married Polly Tremain, of Oneida County.

Lucy married Levi Comstock, of the same county.

Aaron married Ellen Osborne, of Genesee County.

Zuba Brainerd was married to Irad Eastman, of Oneida County.

Polly Brainerd was married to Chauncey Osborne, of Genesee County.

Lydia Brainerd died in 1815, in Genesee County.

Lovina Brainerd was married to Augustus Beach, of the same county.

Esther Brainerd and Samuel Skinner were married March 4, 1784, and had the following children : Samuel Skinner, Betsey, Lucy, Cyrus, Salmon, Austin and Oscar, twins, Edwin, Edgar or Daniel.\*

The parents died in Bolton ; the mother, a widow at the time, September 29, 1816, in consequence of her clothes taking fire.

Samuel Skinner was lost at sea.

Betsey is the wife of Allen Keeney, and is living in Manchester, Connecticut.

Of the four next children no information is received.

Edwin married Almira Bisley, and lives in Vernon.

One of his brothers married Sophia Webster.

Seba Brainerd, brother of Esther, married Anna Pardee, of Winchester, and moved soon after to Paris, New York ; afterward to Skeneateles, Onondago County, and thence to Alexander, Genesee County, where he lived about forty years on a farm, and where he was advanced in military life to the rank of a colonel. Both he and his wife were professors of religion. Their children were : Pardee Brainerd, Norman, Harris, Lucy, Anna, and Harris, second.

Colonel Brainerd died about 1845, aged eighty-two, and his widow about 1852.

Ansel Brainerd married Polly Warner, of Win-

\* This name is not given to me clearly.

chester. He was in the war of the Revolution; settled for a time in some part of the State of New York, and afterwards in Westfield, Medina County, Ohio, where he and his wife were not long since living. They had a large family, and both they and their children are understood to be connected with the Methodist church.

Their oldest son, who bears his father's name, has long been a Methodist preacher. He married a sister of Buckley Brainerd's wife. She died eight or ten years since.

Abigail Brainerd was married to Benjamin Goffe, of East Hampton, February 5, 1786. They lived some time in East Hampton, and then moved to Middle Haddam Landing, where both died. They had four children:

Benjamin B. Goffe,	born about Oct. —,	1787,	died Dec. 11,	1788.
Niel	“	“	_____	
Phila	“	baptized Oct. 25,	1795.	
Julia	“	“	Aug. 25,	1799.

Niel and Julia Goffe did not marry. Phila was married first to John Cole, by whom she had three children; and then to Justin Smith, by whom she had one child. The children were:

Prudence Cole,	who became the wife of a Mr. Kelsey,	of Haddam.
Eliza	“	“ Asaph Young.
Lucy	“	“ _____
Catherine Smith,	“	Lyman House.

Oliver Brainerd, youngest child of Othniel Brainerd, settled in East Hampton, where his parents lived



before him, and where he and all his brothers and sisters were born. He was a mechanic and farmer. He first married Lucy Rogers, who died without children, and after her death, Mary Strong, March 3, 1805. Their children were:

Aristobulus	Brainerd, born Feb. 10, 1806.
Jerusha Ann	“ “ Aug. 17, 1807.
Lucy Maria	“ “ Sept. 12, 1809.
Adonijah Strong	“ “ June 27, 1811.
Ursula Adelia	“ “ April 25, 1813.
Lovina	“ “ Aug. 8, 1816.
Mary Abigail	“ “ Feb. 22, 1819.
Wealthy Elizabeth	“ “ Sept. 9, 1821.
Amanda Lavina	“ “ July 14, 1824.

Captain Oliver Brainerd died February 6, 1851, aged eighty; his widow is still living.

Aristobulus Brainerd, a mechanic and farmer, married Narcissa Hunt, daughter of Captain George Hunt, of East Glastenbury, February, 1828, in which place he lives. He has had the following children:

Edwin Shaler Brainerd, born, Nov.	1829.
Rosalia Fidelia “ “	1831, died April 25, 1849,
John S. “ “	1833.
Ezra W. “ “	1835.
Arthur Magill “ “	1837.
Aristobulus Abijah “ “	Mar. 1842, died, three weeks old.
Ella Ann. “ “	June 22, 1843.
Wesley Hartwell “ “	Mar. 12, 1847,

Edwin Shaler Brainerd married Liva Jane Goslee, in March, 1851.

Jerusha Ann Brainerd was married to William Utley, of Chatham, a mechanic, in November, 1834.



They have three children; Mary Abigail Utley, born November, 1835, Emiline Roseld, born in 1838; and William Henry Harrison, born in 1841.

Lucy Maria Brainerd was married to Erastus Buck, of East Glastenbury, March 3, 1841. Children:

Margaret McCloud Buck, born Jan. 11, 1842.

Sabra Estelle " " Dec. 7, 1844.

Adonijah Strong Brainerd married Amelia Durham, daughter of Sylvester and Lucy (Cole) Durham, on election day, May 1, 1833. Their children are:

Sullivan Brainerd, born Jan., 1835, died in 1836.

Carlton " " 1837.

Lindon " " May, 1839, died in June, 3 weeks old.

Stillman " " 1841.

Augusta " " 1845.

Juliette " " 1847.

Ursula Adelia Brainerd was married to John Gillet Hinckley, of Chatham, in November, 1834. A child born July 4, 1835, Amanda Elizabeth Hinckley, is now the wife of Franklin Strong, of the same town.

Lovina Brainerd was married to Warren Veazy, March 27, 1832, and had two children, Ann Elizabeth Veazy, born January 27, 1835, and Ada Rosalia Veazy, born November 19, 1849.

Mary Abigail Brainerd was married to Francis Gillet, of Hebron, in March, 1835, and had one child, Ralph Revillo Gillet, born June 11, 1837. The mother died on the 21st day of the same month.

Wealthy E Brainerd was married to Marvin Taft Nash, of Winchendon, Massachusetts, February 3,

1848. They have a child named Chester Brainerd Nash.

Amanda Lavina Brainerd is unmarried.

Simon Brainerd, the second child of Abijah and Esther (Smith) Brainerd, married Hepzibah Spencer, daughter of Nathaniel Spencer, of Haddam, and had the following children: Simon Brainerd, jun., born November 9, 1752, Jephthai, Jabez, Hepzibah, Tabitha, Lydia, Silas, Lovisa, and Asa.

Simon Brainerd, jun., married Abigail Hurlburt, daughter of William Hurlburt, May 10, 1777. She was born June 25, 1757. Their children were:

Sally Brainerd,	born	Mar.	5,	1779.
Warren	"	"	Sept. 25,	1781.
Newel	"	"	April 6,	1783.
Talitha	"	"	Mar. 27,	1786.
Harris	"	"	Mar. 16,	1788.
Seley	"	"	Sept. 19,	1791.
Drusilla	"	"	July 24,	1796.
Alice	"	"	Feb. 25,	1791.

The mother of these children died February 6, 1824, and the father May 18, 1843.

Sally Brainerd was married to Enos Brainerd, son of Cornelius and Elizabeth (Higgins) Brainerd. See genealogy of Cornelius Brainerd's family.

Warren Brainerd married Sally Brainerd, daughter of Jesse and Hannah (Cook) Brainerd. They lived a few years on Haddam Neck, and then moved to Brooklyn, Ohio. Four children were born to them on the Neck; Damon, Harris, Warren, and Sally, and three after their removal to Ohio.

Newel Brainerd was married to Mary, or Mercy Brainerd, daughter of Cornelius Brainerd.

Talitha Brainerd was married to Alfred Brainerd, son of Frederic and Anna Brainerd. See Frederic Brainerd's genealogy.

Harris Brainerd was drowned in Connecticut River, off Lord's Island, by the capsizing of a small boat, September 6, 1804.

Seley Brainerd married Lucy Knowles, daughter of Giles Knowles.

Drusilla Brainerd, daughter of Simon and Abigail (Hurlburt) Brainerd, was married to Danforth Turner, then of Middle Haddam, afterward of Haddam, January 8, 1817. Mr. Turner was a shoemaker by trade, but in addition to what he did in that business, he long kept the Turnpike gate on Walkley Hill, on the Middlesex Turnpike. Their children:

Abigail Turner, born Dec. 2, 1818.

Delia " " May 26, 1823, died Dec. 20, 1840.

Emeline " " July 7, 1825.

Abigail Turner was married to George Brooks, son of George Brooks, deceased, May 6, 1841. Children: William Danforth, and George Simon Brooks.

Emeline Turner was married to William Jones Gladwin, son of James Gladwin, September 11, 1849. They have several children.

Alice Brainerd died single, October 9, 1834.

Of Deborah Brainerd, the third child of Abijah and Esther Smith Brainerd, nothing is known.

Lovisa Brainerd, the youngest daughter of Simon and Hepzibah Spencer Brainerd, was married in Ohio.

Asa Brainerd, her brother, married Abigail Fuller.

Cornelius, the ninth child of Abijah Brainerd, married Elizabeth Higgins, May 21, 1778. She was born September 17, 1758. Their children were:

Sybel	Brainerd,	born	Mar. 5,	1779.
Enos	"	"	July 29,	1781.
Mary or Mercy	"	"	June 21,	1783.
Charlotte	"	"	Nov. 4,	1785.
Stattira	"	"	Sept. 10,	1788 or 9.
Amelia	"	"	Sept. 7,	1792. Another account says Sept. 17, 1791.
Epaphroditus	"	"	July 8 or 12,	1795.
Elizabeth	"	"	July 22,	1797.

The mother died February 2, 1824; the father September 8, 1842.

Sybel Brainerd was married first to Sylvester Smith, and after his death to Calvin Thomas, son of Ebenezer Thomas. There were several children by the first marriage, none by the second.

Enos Brainerd married Sally Brainerd, daughter of Simon and Abigail Hurlburt Brainerd. They lived several years in Middle Haddam, and then moved to Cleveland, Ohio. Their five children were born in Haddam, viz.: Willard, Hervey, Abigail, Alice, and Daniel; and the youngest of them died in that town.

Mary or Mercy Brainerd was married to Newell Brainerd.

Charlotte Brainerd was married to Russell Young, son of Asaph Young, November 23, 1806. Children:



Clarissa	Young,	born	Aug. 25, 1807,	died	Nov. 25, 1823.
Culver	"	"	July 19, 1809,	"	Sept. 14, 1812.
Wealthy	"	"	Feb. 4, 1811.		
Asaph Brooks	"	"	July 25, 1813.		
Eunice	"	"	Aug. 31, 1815,	died	Sept. 19, 1815.
Anna Brainerd	"	"	June 2, 1817.		
Elizabeth	"	"	Mar. 2, 1819.		
Enos Brainerd	"	"	Feb. 23, 1822.		
James	"	"	Jan. 18, 1824,	died	the same day.
Hezekiah	"	"	Mar. 1, 1825.		
Clarissa Amelia	"	"	Nov. 24, 1828.		

Wealthy Young was married to William McIntosh. They lived in different places, and had four children; Caroline, Clarissa Ann, Charles William, and Sarah Louisa. He died in the city of New York, in March, 1846. The widow in 1851 was living in New London, and the children are living in different places.

Asaph B. Young married first, Eliza Cone, daughter of John Cone, of Middle Haddam, and had four children; Helen, Brainerd, Edwin, and Edwin Brainerd, the last child being thus double named to bear up the names of his brothers, Brainerd and Edwin, who had died. The mother died, and Mr. Young married Mary Hubbard, daughter of — Hubbard, of Middle Haddam. They had one son, Benjamin Russell Young, that died, aged nearly four years, in Norwich, where the family now live.

Anna Brainerd Young was married to Leander Nelson Johnson, son of Elisha Johnson, of East Haddam. They have had two children; Leander and Franklin. The family now live in Collinsville.



Elizabeth Young was married to Henry Collins, son of Jonathan Collins, of Rocky Hill, December 25, 1840. They have two children; William Collins, born March 11, 1841, and Charles Thomas Collins, born December 30, 1849.

Enos Brainerd Young married Julia Collins, sister of his brother-in-law, Henry Collins, December 7, 1845. They have two children; Hezekiah Russell Young, born February 5, 1849, and Julia Amelia Young, born May 12, 1851.

Hezekiah Young and Clarissa Amelia, both died single, the former February 2, 1848, the latter August 10, 1851.

Stattira Brainerd, the fifth child of Cornelius and Elizabeth (Higgins) Brainerd, was married to Porter Smith, son of Dea. ——— Smith, of East Hampton. They have five children; Justin, Isaac, Charity Anna, Lucinda, and George. They live in Middle Haddam.

Amelia Brainerd is unmarried.

Epaphroditus Brainerd married Harriet Cole, daughter of Hendrick Cole, of Middle Haddam. They lived on Haddam Neck, where he died July 1, 1849. They had six children; Delia Brainerd, Lyman, Julia, Mary Ursula, Abigail Sophia, and Seabury Brainerd.

Elizabeth Brainerd is single, and lives with Davis Arnold, a relative in Middletown.

Shubael Brainerd, the fourteenth child of Abijah Brainerd, married Ruth Stocking, daughter of Captain

Abner Stocking, of Middle Haddam, December 7, 1775, and had three children; Shubael Rosemond Brainerd, born April 29, 1778, William, born January 10, 1780, and Henry, born September 15, 1781.

Mr. Brainerd was First Lieutenant on board of the sloop of war, *Samson*, in the Revolution, a vessel which accomplished very important services, but which was captured finally by a British frigate. He died while on parole in New York, as did also Captain David Brooks, commander of the sloop, with others, and not without suspicion that they were poisoned by the enemy, the poison being infused into liquor given them. Their deaths occurred about the middle of September, 1782.

Thus dying, the widow was afterwards married as a second wife to Captain Heman Brainerd, of Higganum, and had children by him. See Genealogy of his family.

Shubael Rosemond Brainerd married Polly Arnold, daughter of Jabez and Martha Arnold, of Middle Haddam. Their children were William Henry Brainerd, born February 2, 1804; Mary Louisa, Calvin Brooks, born March 15, 1811; Ruth Sophia, and Washington.

S. Rosemond Brainerd was a sea captain, and for a time a pilot at the Mobile bar, Alabama, where he was drowned about 1835.

William H. Brainerd married Emily Sparks, daughter of Elijah and Deborah Sparks, of East Glastenbury, October 4, 1830, and has had the following children :

Rosemond Brainerd,	born in Rindge, N. H.,	Aug. 21, 1832,	died
			Mar. 11, 1834.
John William	“ “	E. Windsor, Conn.,	Oct. 17, 1835.
Hester Ann	“ “	Byron, N. Y.,	June 12, 1838.
Henry Newell	“ “	“	April 3, 1840.
Olin Nelson	“ “	E. Glastenbury,	Oct. 28, 1842.
Merret Allen	“ “	Chatham,	Aug. 8, 1845.
Heman Bangs	“ “	Portland,	Jan. 20, 1848.
Eliza Ellen	“ “	E. Haddam,	July 2, 1850, died June
			12, 1851.

Mary Louisa is single, living with her brother Calvin, or other relatives on Haddam Neck.

Calvin B. Brainerd married Sarah Chase, daughter of Silas Chase, of Southbridge, Massachusetts, February 8, 1841. Children:

Sarah Sophia Brainerd,	born Aug. 18, 1842.
Otis Slade	“ “ Feb. 22, 1844.
Merrel Calvin	“ “ Aug. 9, 1847, died Aug. 22, 1848.
Lucy Ann	“ “ July 11, 1849.

The family live on Haddam Neck.

Ruth Sophia Brainerd was married to Alexander M. Clark, son of Benajah Clark, in March, 1842. Children: Alison Alexander Brainerd, born May, 1843, and Cynthia Brittanica Brainerd, born January 31, 1845.

Washington Brainerd married Abigail Melinda Clark, daughter of Benajah Clark, July, 1845. They live on Haddam Neck, and had one child, Adaline Brainerd, born July, 1849.

Washington Brainerd died, it is said, in 1848.

William Brainerd, brother of Shubael Rosemond

Brainerd, died single, it is believed, in the city of New York, aged about twenty.

Henry Brainerd, brother of Shubael R. and William Brainerd, married Elizabeth Brooks, daughter of Porter and Elizabeth Brooks. She was born September 4, 1784. The family moved to Ohio. Children:

Elizabeth	Brainerd,	born	Sept. 23,	1805.
William Henry	"	"	Mar. 8,	1808.
Emily	"	"	Nov. 18,	1809.
Shubael Rosemond	"	"	June 4,	1813.
Samuel Porter	"	"	Dec. 18,	1815.
John Clark	"	"	May 16,	1819.
Fanny	"	"	June 14,	1821.
Albert Ira	"	"	June 11,	1825.

Silas Brainerd, son of Simon and Hepzibah (Spencer) Brainerd, lived a considerable time in East Haddam, afterwards in Catskill, Cairo, Durham, and Saugerties, New York. He was a carpenter by trade, but born on Haddam Neck, he became acquainted with quarries, and had his mind turned at one time towards the quarries in Portland, where his two oldest sons, as will be noticed soon, became joint owners of a quarry. While in Saugerties, he opened a quarry himself. The stone from this and similar quarries near the Hudson River, now supply to a very great extent the city of New York with paving stone. They are not of so firm a texture as the Haddam stone, which formerly was much used in the city, both for paving and curbing, but lying in thinner and wider tiers, are more easily taken from their beds, and furnish, as thus taken,



a smoother as well as larger surface. To prepare the surface of the Haddam stone for paving, requires much more labor, but they are decidedly the best for curbing. They are of a much firmer texture, and it should be added in this place, that a "blue" vein has recently been discovered, from which stone of a smoother surface are now taken. How extensive this is, I do not know, and it may not be yet ascertained. The principal market for the Haddam stone, at the present time (1856), is Philadelphia.

Mr. Brainerd has married three times, and is now living with his third wife. His first wife was Lucinda Brainerd, daughter of Josiah, jun., and Lois (Hurlburt) Brainerd, of Haddam Neck. She died in East Haddam, April 9, 1816, aged fifty. His second wife was Fanny Chapman, the daughter of Ozias Chapman, of East Haddam, whom he married November 27, 1820. She died at Cairo, November 24, 1828, aged forty-six. His third is Caroline M. Hurd, daughter of Jacob Hurd, of Middle Haddam, whom he married April 28, 1841. He made a profession of religion with his first wife in East Haddam, in 1794, by whom he had seven children; by his second wife he had one. Their births:

Erastus	Brainerd, born	—————
Silas	" "	Dec. 31, 1793.
Chauncey	" "	Oct. 5, 1795.
Abigail	" "	June 22, 1797.
Betsey	" baptized	June 26, 1799.
Fanna	" "	Feb. 26, 1799.



Lucinda	Brainerd,	baptized	Oct. 27, 1800.
Lois	"	"	Nov. 18, 1802.
Raymond Hastings	"	"	Dec. 25, 1821.

Erastus and Silas Brainerd, jun., in 1814, purchased of the heirs of Aaron Hurlburt and two other persons, what has ever since been called the Brainerd quarry, though the area of this quarry has since been enlarged. They carried on the business jointly until the death of Silas Brainerd, in 1847. The owners of the quarry now are styled "Brainerd and Company." For some years, only seven, eight, or ten hands were employed, and two yoke of oxen. Since then the business of this quarry, and of two adjoining quarries, one north and the other south, has increased immensely. A year or two since the regular workmen in the quarries were about twelve hundred, and about two hundred more were employed on contract in removing earth and clearing away rubbish, while many others were employed in transporting stone in vessels to our principal cities, where they are seen in the fronts and ornamental parts of the largest and finest buildings. While steam engines are employed in the quarries, a steamboat tows the vessels up and down the Connecticut River.

Erastus Brainerd married Mary W. Stancliff, daughter of James and Meribah (Wells) Stancliff, December 25, 1815. Their children are:

Mary	Brainerd,	born	Aug. 12, 1817.
Erastus	"	"	July 27, 1819.
Norman L.	"	"	April 10, 1821.

Benjamin F. Brainerd, born	Nov. 29, 1823.
Jane M.	“ “ Oct. 21, 1826.
Ann C.	“ “ Mar. 29, 1829.
Jerusha D.	“ “ April 1, 1831.
Adelaide	“ “ Nov. 6, 1833.
Corinne L.	“ “ Dec. 29, 1835.
Le Roy	“ “ Mar. 12, 1840.

Of Mary, Jane M., Ann C., Adelaide, Corinne L., and Le Roy Brainerd, the writer has no further information.

Erastus Brainerd, jun., married Emily H. Churchell, daughter of Captain Henry and Emily (Hall) Churchell, October 10, 1843, and has one child :

Emily Churchell Brainerd, born October 12, 1845.

Norman L. Brainerd studied law in Cambridge, and in the office of D. Dudley Field, in New York city, where he practised for a short time himself. He has since practised in Middletown. May 14, 1847, he married Leora Campbell, daughter of William and Mary (Cheney) Campbell. They have a child :

Leora Brainerd, born January 27, 1850.

Benjamin F. Brainerd married Amelia A. Davis, daughter of Asa and Mary (Diggins) Davis, March 28, 1851.

Jerusha D. Brainerd was married to William Plummer Tukesbury, of Boston, April 12, 1848. They have a child :

Mary Elizabeth Tukesbury, born May 10, 1850.

Silas Brainerd, jun., married Mary Miles, daughter

of Rev. Smith Miles, of Portland, February 10, 1822.  
They had one child:

Mary Ellen Brainerd, born May 12, 1823.

The parents lived in Portland until within a few months of Mr. Brainerd's death, when they removed to Brooklyn, where he died June 4, 1846.

Their daughter was married to James H. Duffield, of New York, who died in June, 1851, leaving four children.

Chauncey Brainerd, brother of Erastus, and Silas, jun., married Narcissa Post, of Essex, daughter of Ward and Narcissa (Buckingham) Post, February 5, 1822. She was born July 13, 1800. They lived first in East Haddam, afterwards some years in Middletown, then in Saugerties, and then in New York, where he now resides. They have had eleven children:

Edward Chauncey Brainerd,	born	Nov. 17,	1823.
Nancy Buckingham	"	Nov. 21,	1825.
Silas Ward	"	Nov. 27,	1827.
Augustus James	}	"	"
Augusta Jane			
Alanson Post	"	July 24,	1831.
John Henry	"	Sept. 10,	1833, died Sept. 5. 1835.
Sarah Elizabeth	"	Mar. 20,	1836.
John Henry, 2d	"	May 17,	1838.
Wilbur Fisk	"	April 6,	1840.
Edgar Jerome Parker	"	Dec. 17,	1841.

Only two of these children are married; most of the other children are living at home with their parents.

Edward C. Brainerd is a stonecutter in the city.

Nancy B. Brainerd was married May 22, 1852, to John Stephen Taggart, of Lynchburgh, Virginia. He is a shipjoiner, and now lives in New York.

Silas W. Brainerd married Susan Williamson, of New York, April 10, 1853. He pursues the same trade that is followed by his brother Edward.

Augustus J. Brainerd is a metallic life-boat builder in the city. He married Ann Eliza Knowles, June 15, 1853.

Augusta J. Brainerd was married to E. Jerome Parker, from Essex, Connecticut, June 25, 1851. He is a shipmaster, now residing in New York. They have had two children; Augustus Jerome Parker, born January 13, 1852, who died on the 25th of the next month; and Ellen Jane Augusta Brainerd, born February 14, 1853.

Alanson P. Brainerd is a dry goods merchant in New York.

Marriages of others of the family of Abijah Brainerd by his two wives, Esther Smith and Thankful Williams Brainerd, as stated by Aristobulus Brainerd, namely: Deborah Brainerd, who was married to Gideon Hurlburt; Esther to Daniel Brainerd; Lydia to Major Jonathan Bowers; Leah to Sylvanus Freeman; Zilpa to Jonathan Clark; Rachel to Samuel Brooks; Dorcas to Moses Higgins; Mercy to a Mr. Mack; and Thankful to Seth Hubbard.

Abijah Brainerd, jun., had two children; Abijah and Vienna Brainerd.



Abijah Brainerd the third, who is understood to have attained the title of captain,\* married Mary Arnold, daughter of Jabesh Arnold, and had the following children: Alexis Brainerd, Lucy Salome, Britannia, who died, aged about three years, Alvina, Martin, Franklin, Brittania second, and James Brainerd.

Alexis Brainerd died a young man, it is said, at Lee, Massachusetts.

Lucy Brainerd was married to Benjamin Sykes, of Ludlow, Massachusetts, and had several children. She is dead.

Salome Brainerd was married to a Mr. Stinson or Stimson, of New York city. They have one child, a son.

Alvina Brainerd was married to Dan Hubbard, of Ludlow, where they live, and have children.

Martin Brainerd married Mary Baldwin, of Willimantic. They live on Haddam Neck, and have four children, among whom, one bears the name of Alexis, and another of Lucy.

Franklin Brainerd is single.

Brittania Brainerd second, was married to a gentleman of New York. They live in Brooklyn, and have two children.

James Brainerd is single, teacher of an academy in New Jersey.

Enoch Brainerd, son of Bezaliel, married Prudence

\* A Captain Abijah Brainerd and his father lived formerly on the place now belonging to Dea. Ansel Strong.



Hungerford, daughter of Green Hungerford, of Millington, and had children by her. She having died, he married Esther Southward, daughter of Beriah Southward, of Lebanon, first Society, and by her had three children. The names of the children were: Prudence Brainerd, Phebe; Azubah, born July 6, 1778; Roxanna, Harriet, a daughter who died two days after birth; Elizabeth, Rebecca, and Enoch Brainerd, jun.

Mr. Brainerd was captain of the militia company in Millington. He died April 27, 1796 or '7, aged forty-seven.

Prudence Brainerd was married to John Parmalee, of Chester, and had six children; Maria, Betsey, Prudence, Mary Ann, John, and Catherine.

The family moved to Clarkson, New York, where Mr. Parmalee died.

Phebe Brainerd was married to Ambrose Church, of Middlefield, Massachusetts. They have had three children; Emeline, Ambrose, and Augustus Church.

Azubah Brainerd was married to Aaron C. Palmer, April 2, 1797. He was born February 5, 1773, and has been a justice of the peace. Children:

Brainerd	Palmer, born	April 27, 1797.
Eliza	“	“ Nov. 10, 1800.
Harriet	“	“ Jan. 22, 1806.
Frederic Augustus	“	“ Nov. 21, 1811.
Adaline Ann	“	“ Jan. 3, 1815.
Levi	“	“ Mar. 15, 1818.

Frederic Augustus Palmer settled and married at

Panesville, Ohio, but came back to his father's house sick, and died there, July 16, 1835.

Levi Palmer died at Norwich, July 15, 1835, leaving a wife and two children.

Roxanna Brainerd was married to George Palmer, brother of Aaron C. Palmer, and had three children; George, Ann, and Edward Palmer. Mrs. Palmer died in November, 1811, and Mr. Palmer married twice afterwards, and had children by both marriages.

Harriet Brainerd was married to Hezekiah Canfield, of Chester, and had three children; Caroline, Delia, and Frederic Canfield. The family lived generally in Chester, but moved to the city of New York, where both the parents and the son died. They were all brought to Chester for burial. The son died a young man, but unmarried.

Elizabeth and Rebecca Brainerd died single, in New Lebanon, New York.

Enoch Brainerd, jun., married Abigail Brainerd, daughter of Silas Brainerd, now of Middle Haddam. They lived in Middle Haddam and in Glastenbury, but years since moved to a town in Ohio, where they now live. They have a large family.

Julius Brainerd married Silva Ackley, of Chatham, January 5, 1812. She was born February 4, 1797, and died February 14, 1842. After her death, he married Rhoda Ackley, of the same town, February 12, 1843. Their children were all by the first marriage:

Sophia Brainerd,	born	July 24,	1812.
Fidelia	"	"	Aug. —, 1816.
Harriet	"	"	Sept. —, 1818.
Louisa	"	"	Nov. —, 1820.
Oliver	"	"	Feb. 3, 1823.

Sophia Brainerd was married to Samuel Harris Tucker, January 1, 1843, who was then living in Chatham. They have no children.

Fidelia Brainerd was married to Charles Landfier, of Westchester, in September, 1846. They had children; one by the name of Charles, born September 17, 1847, and another by the name of Harriet.

Of Harriet Brainerd, daughter of Julius, nothing is ascertained.

Louisa Brainerd was married to Julius Ackley, of Cleveland, Ohio. They now live in East Haddam.  
Child en:

Maranda	Ackley,	born	May —,	1848.
James Samuel	"	"	Mar. 31,	1849.

Daniel Brainerd, jun., married Hannah Gates, July 7, 1743, and had one child:

Daniel Brainerd, born March 10, 1744, died August 15, 1755.

The mother died May 5, 1746.

Abijah Brainerd married, and had the following children:

Leah	Brainerd,	baptized	Feb. 22,	1741.
Jephtai	"	"	Feb. 23,	1743.
Rachel	"	"	April 8,	1744.
Dorcas	"	"	April 20,	1746.
Urijah	"	"	April 24,	1748.
Asaph	"	"	May 6,	1750.
Shubael	"	"	April 12,	1752.

Thankful Brainerd,	born	Mar.	7,	1754.
Cornelius	"	"	June 26,	1756, died on Haddam Neck.
Mary	"	"	Aug. 5,	1758.

Joshua Brainerd and Hannah Foster Brainerd, had the following children: Roxanna, who died single, Horace, Julius, Elizabeth, and Halsey.

Horace Brainerd, son of Joshua and Hannah (Foster) Brainerd, married Dorothy Silliman, daughter of William and Dorothy (Huntington) Silliman, Jan. 3, 1811. She was born August 9, 1786. They had two children; Cynthia Lucretia Silliman, born March 12, 1812, and William Silliman, born October 1, 1815.

Horace Brainerd died March 31, 1844, aged fifty-nine, being born July 9, 1785.

Cynthia Lucretia Brainerd was married to Sylvester Nelson Williams, son of Sylvester and Mary (Brainerd) Williams, February 25, 1834. They had one child; Julia Augusta Williams, born September 6, 1838, who died February 14, 1839.

William Silliman Brainerd was married to Julia Ann Chapman, daughter of Orren and Penelope (Gates) Chapman, November 18, 1826, and had one child, a daughter not named, born in April, 1838, that died on the day of its birth.

Mr. Brainerd died August 27, 1839, in his twenty-fourth year.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to Lyman Ely, and had four children; Joshua Brainerd, Lyman, Sylvester Nelson, and Roxanna Ely.



Halsey Brainerd married Rachel Kellogg, daughter of Martin and Rachel (Hosford) Kellogg, November 22, 1820. Children: Lucretia Amelia Brainerd, born May 12, 1823, who died December 15, 1838, and Alfred Kellogg, born October 31, 1828.

Julius, son of Asel and Lucretia Brainerd, was born in Albany, May 14, 1814. He married Mary Young Mabbett, daughter of John H. and Sarah Mabbett, in New York, November 25, 1839. She was born at New Brunswick, New Jersey, September 1, 1812. Children:

Lucretia W. Brainerd,	born	Feb. 28,	1841,	in	New York.
Sarah Y.	"	"	Mar. 4,	1843,	in Townsend, Ohio, died
				Aug. 9,	1853, at Brooklyn, L. I.
Margaret M.	"	"	April 1,	1845,	at Townsend.
Elizabeth A.	"	"	Mar. 11,	1847,	died June 25, 1849.
Luther	"	"	Sept. 18,	1849,	died at Brooklyn, July
				31,	1850.

Mr. Brainerd moved from Albany to New York in 1828, from New York to Ohio in 1841, and from Ohio back to New York in 1848. In Ohio he pursued farming; his business in New York recently has been connected with an Insurance Company.

Leonard Whitmore Brainerd, son of Asel and Lucretia Whitmore Brainerd, was born in Eastbury, August 27, 1802. His father, Asel Brainerd, moved to Baltimore in 1804, and to Albany about 1807, where he died. The son, who, it is supposed, accompanied him to these places, first commanded a sailing vessel on the Hudson River, and then a steamboat, many



years. In 1844 he removed to New York, where he is a commission and forwarding merchant.

He married Sarah Ann Kenyon, daughter of David and Sarah Allen Kenyon, August 29, 1828. They have had the following children: Sarah Allen Brainerd, Redelia Kenyon, Leonard Whitmore, Josephine, Asel, and Harrison Brainerd.

Joshua Brainerd was married to Hannah Spencer, January 3, 1733-4. Children:

Mary Brainerd,	born	Jan. 28,	1734-5.
Hannah	"	April 18,	1736, died April 24, 1738.
Hannah, 2d	"	April 9,	1738.
Elizabeth	"	May 24,	1740.

Obadiah Brainerd was married to Ziporah Johnson, September 16, 1731. They had one child; Caleb Brainerd, born June 17, 1734. The mother died on the 17th of July following, and the child died young. Mr. Brainerd married as a second wife, Mary Johnson, September 18, 1735, and had by her nine children:

Obadiah Brainerd, jun.,	born	July 24,	1736.
Ziporah	"	Oct. 16,	1737.
Timothy	"	April 22,	1740.
Caleb	"	July 26,	1741.
Nathaniel	"	Feb. 22,	1744.
Jephtha	"	March 2,	1746.
Mary	"	Sept. 2,	1748.
Obadiah, 2d	"	Sept. 14,	1751.
Hannah	"	April 11,	1754.

Daniel Brainerd, jun., married Esther Brainerd, April 10, 1752. Children:

Jonathan Brainerd,	born	July 25,	1752.
Mary	"	Sept. 4,	1754.

Zilpah Brainerd,	born	Aug. 9,	1756.
Asaph	"	April 26,	1758.
Zechariah	"	Sept. 12,	1760.
Seth	"	Sept. 12,	1762.
Joel	"	Nov. 21,	1764.
Daniel	"	April 1,	1767.

Urijah Brainerd, son of ——— Brainerd, married a daughter of Dea. Elijah Bingham. They moved to Dempster, N. H., and had six children, four of whom, it is understood, are dead. One of the survivors was recently living in Dempster, and the other in some town in Vermont.

Nathan Brainerd married Fanny Bingham, daughter of James, and grand-daughter of Dea. Elijah Bingham, November 10, 1810, and had ten children:

Fanny Brainerd,	born	Jan. 4,	1812.
Silas	"	Feb. 14,	1814.
Ozias	"	Mar. 20,	1816.
Harriet	"	Sept. 20,	1818.
Joseph	"	Mar. 12,	1821.
Henry	"	June 6,	1823.
James	"	Aug. 30,	1825.
George W.	"	Nov. 9,	1827.
Joseph, 2d,	"	Nov. 17,	1830.
Mary	"	Mar. 13,	1833.

A portion of this family moved to Cleveland, in 1834, where the mother died on the 25th of November, 1835. Some of the children had died before her, others have died since in one place and in another. Fanny died on the 30th of August, in the same year; Ozias died in Dempster, N. H., March 19, 1819; Harriet died at Cleveland, April 1, 1838; Joseph Brain-

erd died at Washington, N. H., September 5, 1827; James also died at Washington, September 13th in the same year; and Mary died at Cleveland, August 13, 1837. Henry Brainerd married, and had three children. He died May 3, 1835, and the widow and children are now living with his father.

Silas Brainerd has a wife and four children. He keeps a music store in Cleveland. Geogre W. and Joseph Brainerd second, also keep a music store in Louisville, Kentucky. The former has a wife and two children; the latter, a wife and one child.

Harriet Brainerd, a sister of Nathan Brainerd, was married in 1808, to Dr. Ozias Mather, and had two sons, Henry and Samuel Mather.

Henry Mather is married and settled in Boston, but has no children.

Samuel Mather is married and settled in Cleveland, and has a son and daughter.

Mary Brainerd, daughter of ——— Brainerd, was married to William Olmsted, of East Haddam, July, 1728. Children:

William Olmsted,	born	Sept. 4,	1728.
Sarah	"	Mar. 21,	1733.
Abigail	"	Sept. 16,	1735.
Samuel	"	Sept. 13,	1737.
Mary	"	Oct. 1,	1739.
Dorothy	"	Feb. 29,	1741-2, died April 14, 1743.

The mother died April 16, 1743, and Mr. Olmsted married Anna Rowles, and had one child by her:

Jonathan Olmsted, born July 20, 1744.

Ichabod Brainerd was born in Haddam, in 1776. The father having died when he was four years old, he was taken and brought up by his grandfather, Leonard Brainerd, and learnt the trade of chair making, which he followed most of his life.

When nineteen years of age, he married Polly Mallory, of Salem, New York, and shortly after moved to Troy, where three of his children were born, and then to Benson, Rutland County, Vermont, where he lived a longer period, and seven more children were born. There he lost his wife. Soon after this event, he moved to Perry, Genesee County, in the same State, where he married Widow Polly Griswold, by whom there was no issue. At this place he changed his views as to the mode and subjects of baptism, and united himself to the Baptist Church. About 1838, he moved to Delaware, Wisconsin, where he died July 4, 1855, aged seventy-nine, in the full hope of a blessed immortality. The names of his children, with the exception of two, who were twins, and died soon after birth, were as follows: Harriet, Polly, Mary Ann, who were born at Troy, Caroline, Almira, Cyrus, the twins, Edwin and David.

Harriet Brainerd was married to Sheldon Cramen, by whom she had three children; Caroline, Huldah, and Noble.

Mary Ann Brainerd was married to William Bartlett, by whom she had nine children; Amanda, Sarah, Martin, Almira, Sophronia, William Ayres, Phoenix, and Martha.



Caroline Brainerd was married to D. G. Foster, by whom she had seven children; William Foster, Judson B., E. Rollins, Daniel G., Junius, Ellen, and James M. Foster.

Almira Brainerd was married to ——— Moffit, by whom she had three children; Edwin, Sarah Ann, and Romaine Moffit.

Cyrus Brainerd is single, as is his brother David.

Edwin Brainerd married Mary Ann Phoenix, by whom he has had four children; Harriet, Edwin, William, and Olive Ann.

All the children of Ichabod Brainerd who lived to mature age, excepting the three sons, have become professors of religion; three of the sons-in-law are professors, and four of the children of Mrs. Bartlett.

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WILLIAM BRAINERD, the fifth child of Daniel and Hannah (Spencer) Brainerd, of Haddam, married Sarah Bidwell, December 13, 1698, and had seven children:

Sarah Brainerd,	born	Mar.	21,	1700.
William	"	"	Mar.	20, 1702.
Hannah	"	"	April	26, 1704.
Samuel	"	"	July	4, 1706.
Chiliab	"	"	Oct.	10, 1708.
Josiah	"	"	May	4, 1711.
Nathan	"	"	Nov.	4, 1713.

The family lived on Haddam Neck, in a house which stood between the foot of Quarry Hill and the house of Dea. Cyprian S. Brainerd.



Sarah Brainerd, the oldest of the above children, was married, it is understood, to Gideon Arnold, but no further information of her family is possessed for this work.

William Brainerd, jun., married Esther ———, January 5, 1726. Their children were:

Esther Brainerd, born Oct. 1, 1727.  
 Prudence " " Feb. 15, 1728, died Oct. 24, 1746.  
 Jonathan " " Nov. 27, 1730, " Oct. 3, 1846.  
 William " " May 28, 1732, " July 30, 1734.  
 Eunice " " June 16, 1734.  
 Abiel (a daughter) " April 12, 1736, died Jan. 5, 1737.

Sergeant William Brainerd, probably died in 1736, as Widow Esther Brainerd was married to William Markum, January 7, 1737.

Hannah Brainerd became the wife of William Smith.

Samuel Brainerd married Esther Brainerd, it is understood, daughter of Jabez and Hannah (Clark) Brainerd, October 31, 1734. He settled in the north-west district in Haddam, which was called, probably from him and his family, *Brainerd District*, where he owned a large tract of land. His children were:

• Samuel Brainerd, born Aug. 19, 1735.  
 William " " June 28, 1737.  
 Jeremiah " " Oct. 22, 1739.  
 Nathaniel " " July 3, 1742.  
 Esther " " Nov. 2, 1744, died Nov. 4, 1748.  
 Charles " " July 10, 1749.  
 Sarah " " Oct. 21, 1749.  
 Jonathan " " July 10, 1752.  
 Giles " " Nov. 5, 1755.

Thankful Brainerd born Aug. 15, 1758.  
 Cornelius       "       "    Dec. 17, 1760.

At what time Samuel Brainerd died, the writer does not know; his widow died January 12, 1813, aged ninety-five.

Samuel Brainerd, the first-born of these children, died in the second French War, October 16, 1758, having gone into the army in the place of his brother Jeremiah, who had been drafted. He did not, however, die in any services to which he was called as a soldier, but in a fall from a building which he was at the time taking a part in covering.

William Brainerd, at an advanced age, married Lydia Brooks, daughter of Abraham Brooks. They had no children.

Jeremiah Brainerd married twice, first Sarah Brainerd, daughter of Josiah and Sarah Brainerd, of Hadam Neck. She died May 9, 1809, aged seventy-two, and he married Widow Esther Smith Sawyer, relict of Ephraim Sawyer, June 28, 1810. He had no children. He and his second wife died in 1822, both aged eighty-two years; he on the 8th of May, and she on the 28th of September.

Nathaniel Brainerd married Ann Johnson, of Middletown, February 10, 1773, and had three children; Nathaniel Brainerd second, Lucy and Esther Brainerd. The time of their father's death is not known; their mother died July 15, 1824, aged seventy-eight.

Of the second Nathaniel Brainerd's death no rec-

ords are possessed. Lucy Brainerd died single, April 5, 1842, aged sixty-seven. Esther Brainerd also died single, in the winter of 1822-3, at the house of a brother in Leyden, New York.

Charles Brainerd, like his brother William, married at an advanced age. His wife was the Widow Mary Arnold, relict of Ambrose Arnold, previously widow of John Bailey. He died about March, 1826, in his seventy-ninth year, and she died October 1, 1840, aged eighty-two. He had no children.

Sarah Brainerd was married, but no further information of her is possessed.

Jonathan Brainerd married, as did William and Charles, at an advanced age. His wife was Lydia Brooks, daughter of Abraham Brooks. The marriage was solemnized February 17, 1819. Mr. Brainerd died July 8, 1837, aged eighty-five, and his wife August 29, 1848, aged sixty-eight.

Giles Brainerd married Margaret Bailey, daughter of Stephen and Eunice Bayley, and had three children; Elliot Brainerd, born May 24, 1795, Giles, July, 1797, and Eunice.

The father died February 9, 1830, aged seventy-six, and his widow November 11, 1835, aged sixty-nine.

Elliot Brainerd is single; Giles Brainerd second, married, but died childless, August 6, 1839, aged nearly forty-two, and his widow was married a second time.

Eunice Brainerd was married to Simon Smith, of Moromos, a district of Middletown.

Thankful Brainerd was married to Eliakim Bailey.

Cornelius Brainerd married Jerusha Brooks, sister of his brother William's wife, April 16, 1804. He died October 19, 1838, aged nearly seventy-eight; his widow died March 23, 1852. Children:

William Brainerd, born Jan. 20, 1806.

Cornelius " " Aug. 11, 1809.

A son not named, died Sept. 24, 1811, a few hours after birth.

Abraham " born Mar. 24, 1815.

William Brainerd married Jane W. Smith, September 15, 1836. He died without issue, November 5, 1839.

Cornelius Brainerd married Amelia Bonfoey, daughter of David Bonfoey, January 3, 1850, and has two children; the first-born named Jane Jerusha Brainerd.

Abraham Brainerd married Almira M. Clark, of Southwick, Massachusetts, June 5, 1840, and has two children:

Francis Gertrude Brainerd, born Aug. 15, 1841.

William " " July 29, 1849.

They lived on the paternal homestead a few years, and then moved to Madison. They keep a house of entertainment on the shore of the Sound, near the East Wharf, where they furnish sea food for those who call upon them, or board with them. Among the latter are numbers, especially in the warm season of the year, seeking health from sea air and sea food.

Chiliab Brainerd, the fifth child of William and Sarah (Bidwell) Brainerd, was graduated at Yale Col-



lege in 1731, and settled in the ministry in Eastbury, a parish in Glastenbury, Connecticut, in January, 1736. He married Abigail Fiske, daughter of Rev. Phineas Fiske, of Haddam, by whom he was probably fitted for college and instructed in theology. He resigned his charge in the autumn of 1738, and died soon after. He is buried in the old burying yard in the first parish in Glastenbury, where the monument over his grave describes his character thus:

“Here lies the body of the Rev. Chiliab Brainerd, a zealous and faithful minister of Jesus Christ, and first pastor of the church in Eastbury, who deceased January 1, 1739, in the thirty-first year of his age and third of his ministry.”

His widow was married to Rev. Noah Merrick, a classmate of Mr. Brainerd, pastor of the church in Wilbraham, Massachusetts, where he was settled in June, 1741. He died in office, December 22, 1776. The children of Mr. Merrick and Abigail (Brainerd) Merrick, were: Noah, Lucy, Chiliab Brainerd, Samuel F., Lydia, Pliny, and a child that died in infancy.

Noah Merrick, jun., was drowned at Cambridge, when about eighteen years of age, being then a member of Harvard College in his second year.

Lucy Merrick became the wife of Col. Abel King, of Wilbraham.

Chiliab Brainerd Merrick married Luina Smith. He was a farmer in Wilbraham, and a deacon in the church.



Samuel F. Merrick studied medicine, and was a physician and magistrate in Wilbraham. He married Sarah Maken, of East Hartford, and had a large family. George Merrick, one of his sons, studied law, and practised in Glastenbury. He was afterwards known as Judge Merrick, being several years Chief Judge of Hartford County Court.

Lydia Merrick was the wife of Rev. Aaron Church, a minister in Hartland, Connecticut.

Pliny Merrick became a lawyer, and settled in Brookfield, Massachusetts. His wife was a Miss Cutler.

Josiah Brainerd, the sixth child of William and Sarah (Bidwell) Brainerd, was probably first a member of the church in Haddam, for he was a constituent member of the church in Middle Haddam at its formation, September 24, 1740. He lived in a house which he built on Quarry Hill, on Haddam Neck, which is now standing, and was not long since owned by a descendant, and may be still. He married twice, first a woman whose given name was Sarah, February 15, 1736, by whom he had one child, and secondly, Hannah Spencer, September 12, 1738, by whom he had eight children, which were :

Sarah	Brainerd,	born	Dec. 2,	1736.
Josiah	"	"	Aug. 17,	1739.
Chiliab	"	"	Oct. 21,	1741.
Hannah	"	"	April 14,	1743.
Ezra	"	"	Aug. 17,	1744.
Eliphaz	"	"	July 5,	1746, who, it is said, died young.
Israel	"	"	Feb. 10,	1748.

Prudence Brainerd, born Jan. 25, 1750.  
 Susannah " " Oct. 10, 1751.

Lieutenant Josiah Brainerd, the father, died July 8, 1792, aged eighty-one. His first wife died December 21, 1736, and his second wife July 24, 1787, in her seventy-eighth year.

Sarah Brainerd was the first wife of Jeremiah Brainerd, of Haddam. They had no children.

Josiah Brainerd, jun., married Lois Hurlburt, May 21, 1759, and lived on Haddam Neck, near where his grandfather lived. Their children were :

Ruth Brainerd, born Jan. 26, 1760, died May 31, 1764.  
 Ansel " " Dec. 9, 1763.  
 Lucinda " " July 18, 1765.  
 Nabby " baptized July 31, 1768, died single.  
 Diadema " " July 29, 1770, died very young.  
 Josiah 3d, " " Mar. 13, 1774.  
 Chauncey " " June 2, 1776.

Ansel Brainerd married Hannah Dart, daughter of Joseph and Abigail (Brainerd) Dart, August 26, 1791. She was born December 6, 1765. Children :

Roswell Brainerd, born April 28, 1792.  
 Ansel " " May 6, 1794.  
 Laura " " Feb. 19, 1798.  
 Abigail " " July 24, 1801.  
 Cyprian Strong " " Oct. 1, 1804.

Captain Ansel Brainerd, the father, died March 13, 1840, and his widow April 10, 1848.

Roswell Brainerd married Laura Sherman, who was born May 4, 1788. Their children were :

Nancy Sophia Brainerd, born Dec. 23, 1810.  
 Almira Florilla " " Oct. 27, 1812.

Charles Hurd Brainerd,	born	Mar. 18,	1815.
Henry Stannard	"	Feb. 21,	1817.
Roswell Colton	"	Feb. 5,	1819.
Laura Ann	"	Mar. 16,	1821.

Mr. Brainerd commanded a coasting vessel for a number of years. One year he was an officer at Blackwell's Island. He possessed naturally an unusually firm constitution, but died almost instantly, as was supposed, from the rupture of a blood vessel, November 21, 1837.

Nancy Sophia Brainerd was married to Claudius Brainerd, son of Calvin Brainerd. See genealogy of Calvin Brainerd's family onward.

Almira F. Brainerd was married to David Brainerd, son of Alfred Brainerd, January 15, 1838. They have no children.

Charles Hurd Brainerd married Marietta Sophia Brainerd, sister of David Brainerd just named, November 7, 1838. They have five children:

Charles Martin Brainerd,	born	May 31,	1840.
Son not named	"	Feb. —,	1842.
Hannah Maria	"	June 1,	1843.
Mary Alice	"	Nov. —,	1845.
Emma Tabitha	"	May —,	1849.

Henry Stannard Brainerd married Hannah Maria Brooks, daughter of Noah and Hannah (Cone) Brooks, in September, 1839. She died childless, August 26, 1842, aged twenty-four; and Mr. Brainerd married her sister, Ursula B. Brooks, February 21, 1844, by whom he has children:

Ursula Maria Brainerd,	born	Dec.	3,	1844.
Alvah Sherman	"	"	Jan.	2, 1847.
Norman Wells	"	"	Nov.	3, 1848.
Olivia Gennette	"	"	Oct.	22, 1850.

Roswell Colton Brainerd married Mary Frances Harris, of Richmond, Virginia, May 23, 1850. They have three children :

William Harris Brainerd,	born	Feb.	22,	1851.
Laura Mary	"	"	Dec. 18,	1853, died April 11, 1856.
John Lynch	"	"	Sept. 26,	1855.

Mr. Brainerd studied law in the office of D. Dudley Field, in New York, and practises in the city, though he resides in Brooklyn, where he has been an alderman and supervisor, and is now (1856) Corporation Counsel.

Laura Ann Brainerd was married to David L. Bailey, of Henrietta, New York, July 5, 1844, and has three children :

Hester Maria Bailey,	born	in	1846,	and	died,	a	few	years	old.
Brainerd Taylor	"	"	July,	1848.					
Hannah	"	"							

Ansel Brainerd, jun., married Olivia Shaler, daughter of Ira and Ann Shaler, in December, 1818. She was born October 7, 1795, and died October 29, 1825, aged thirty. After her death, Mr. Brainerd married Sarah Day, daughter of Daniel and Anna Morgan Day, of Westchester, December 14, 1826. By the first marriage there were four children, and by the second seven.

Alva Shaler Brainerd,	born	Aug.	1,	1819.
Mary Livinia	"	"	May	22, 1821.



Addison	Brainerd, born	June 4, 1823.
Ira Shaler	"	" Oct. 22, 1825.
Olivia Shaler	"	" Dec. 5, 1827, died July 9, 1846.
Harrison	"	" Aug. 24, 1829.
Sarah Louisa	"	" Sept. 18, 1831.
Daughter	"	" ——— 1833, died, two days old.
Cornelia Ann	"	" Mar. 25, 1835.
Anna Colton	"	" Nov. 24, 1837.
Lucretia Day	"	" July 26, 1840.

Alvah Shaler Brainerd died single, July 22, 1846. His death was occasioned by the accidental ignition of a cask of powder, at Saugerties, New York.

Mary Livinia Brainerd is the wife of Harvey Pierce Brainerd, of Enfield. See genealogy of Jared Brainerd's family.

Laura Brainerd was married to Alvah Shaler, son of Ira and Anna Shaler, February 7, 1821. They have had five children; Brainerd Shaler, Laura Ann, Olivia, Hannah Florilla, and Harriet. The family lived many years in Haddam, and then moved to the vicinity of Catskill, New York. Mr. Shaler is dead. His daughter Olivia was married to Albert Oscar Swan, in 1850, son of Hurlburt and Nancy (Clark) Swan, who moved some years since from Haddam to Fremont, Lake County, Illinois.

Abigail Brainerd, the fourth child of Captain Ansel Brainerd, was married to Willard Cook, son of Nathaniel Cook, of Middle Haddam, who moved from Haddam Neck to Lake County, Illinois, about the time that Hurlburt Swan did. Their children are, Ansel Brainerd Cook, Abigail Florilla, Charles Wil-



lard, and Ellen Sophia Cook. The eldest of these children was married to Helen Foster, daughter of Dr. Foster, of Libertyville, and has had one child that died in September, 1851. Mrs. Cook has died within two or three years.

Cyprian Strong Brainerd married Florilla Hull, daughter of Nathaniel and Sarah (Tibballs) Hull, of Haddam, October 3, 1827. Children :

Cyprian Strong Brainerd, born Aug. 4, 1828.

Eugene Burtis " " July 13, 1832.

Adrian Morrison " " Dec. 27, 1834, died in 1853.

C. S. Brainerd was elected a deacon of the church in Haddam in December, 1846. His eldest son was graduated at Yale College, in 1850, and has since been a teacher in Plainfield. He has been studying law with his cousin, Roswell C. Brainerd, and expects soon to be admitted to practice.

Lucinda Brainerd, sister of Ansel Brainerd, was the first wife of Silas Brainerd. See the genealogy of his family.

Of Josiah Brainerd third, brother of Ansel, information has not been obtained.

Chauncey Brainerd, the youngest child of Josiah Brainerd second, and brother of Josiah the third, married twice; first, Hope Brooks, daughter of Jonathan and Hope Brooks, by whom he had one child; and after her death, he married Cynthia Tyler, daughter of Simon and Lucy (Church) Tyler, May 4, 1804, by

whom he had three children. She was born March 6, 1774. Children:

Mary Ann	Brainerd,	born	Aug. 22,	1805.
William	Chauncey	"	"	Dec. 12, 1807.
Selden	Tyler	"	"	Nov. 26, 1810.

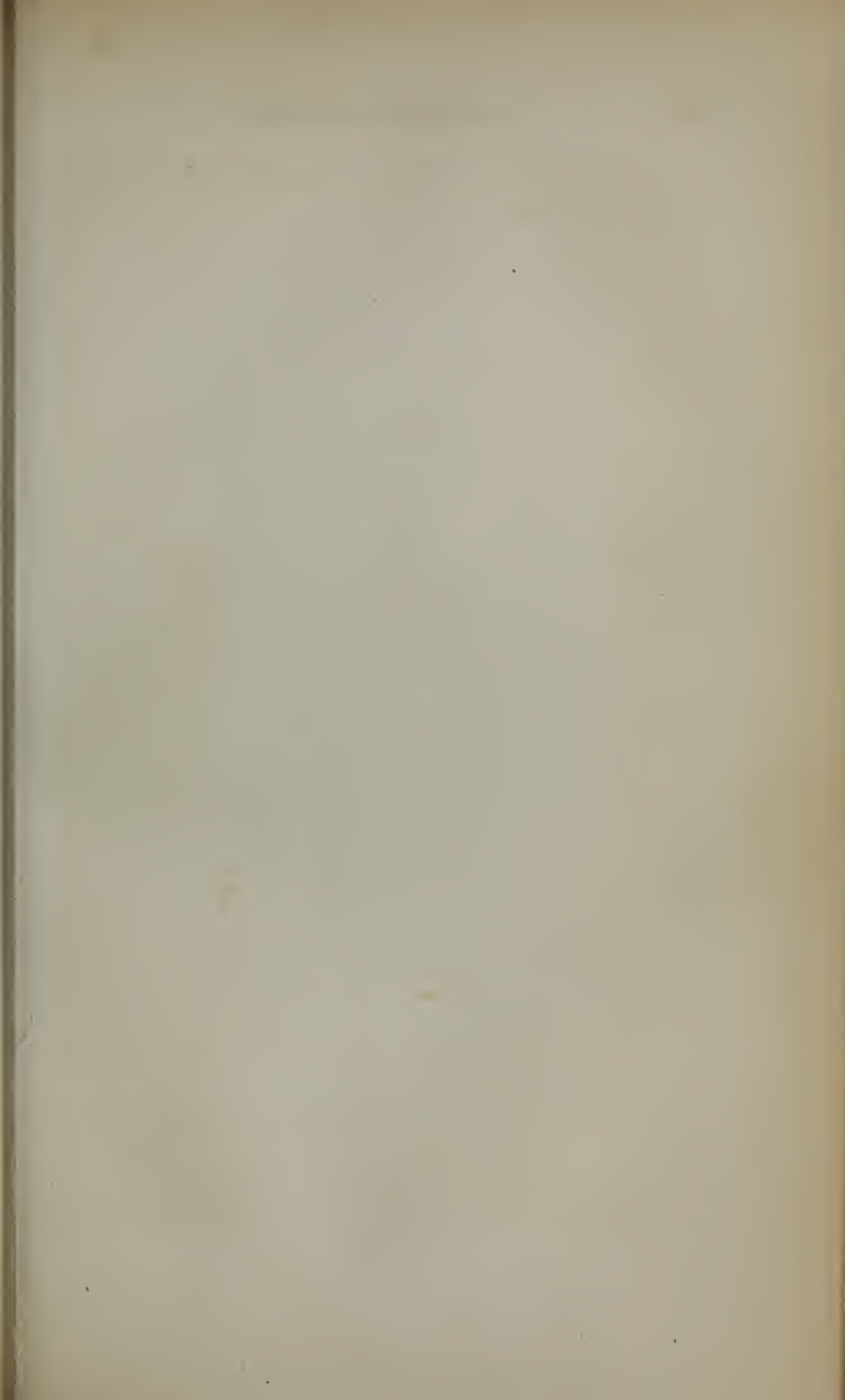
Chauncey Brainerd followed the seas, and in November, 1810, sailed for the West Indies, having command of a schooner, and was lost, as is supposed, in a storm, on the night of the 26th of that month, the very night in which his youngest child was born. All on board were lost with him, and all these were from Middle Haddam, unless some persons were taken from New York, whence the vessel sailed. Those on board from Middle Haddam were David Brainerd, two brothers, whose family name was Strong, and one person whose name was Kelley.

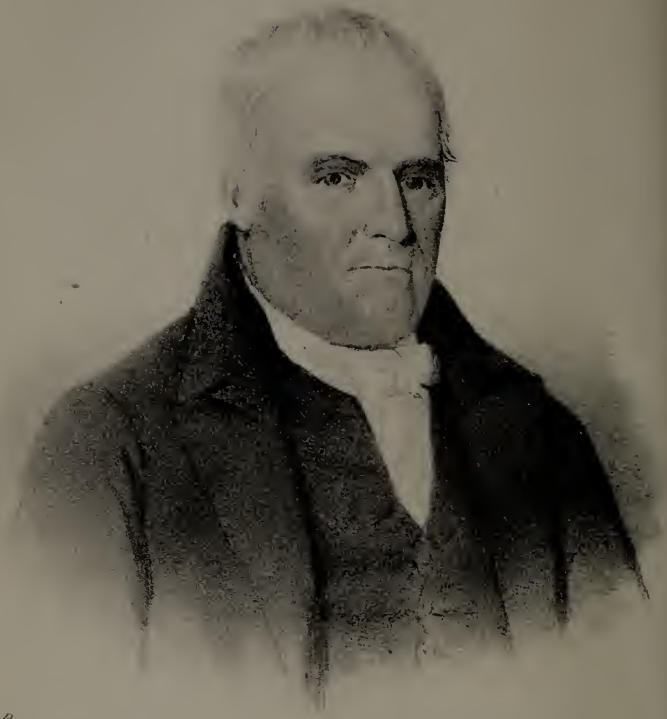
Hope Brainerd, the eldest of these children, was married to Nathan Dickinson, and had, it is believed, some children, and was then left a widow.

Mary Ann Brainerd is single.

William Chauncey Brainerd married Ruth House, daughter of Jeremiah House, of East Hampton, parish of Chatham, and they have had five children; Chauncey, Cynthia, George, William, and Augusta, the two first of whom are married.

Chauncey Brainerd married Rhoda Beaver, of Esopus, New York, where he lives, and has two children, a son and daughter.





*R. Brown Jr. Lith.*

*Liza Brainerd*

*72 years of age.*

Cynthia Brainerd is the wife of John Henry Johnson, of Esopus. They have two children; Louisa Brainerd, and Augusta Johnson Henderson.

Selden Tyler Brainerd married Harriet Brainerd, daughter of Julius Brainerd, of East Hampton, January 1, 1839. They have four children:

George	Brainerd, born	May 13, 1844.
Ellen	“ “	Dec. 28, 1845.
William Selden	“ “	Sept. 24, 1848.
A daughter	“ “	Sept. 4, 1850.

Captain Brainerd's widow was married, as a second wife, to John Smith, of Haddam, afterward of Middletown, U. H., and had by him three children:

George Edgar Smith, born	Dec. 15, 1815.
Elizabeth “ “	Nov. 16, 1817.
Caleb “ “	Nov. 16, 1819.

Mr. Smith's first wife was Betsey Brainerd, daughter of Dea. Eliakim Brainerd. See genealogy of his family. Mr. Smith died about 1839.

Chiliab Brainerd, the third child of Josiah Brainerd, is said to have married, settled in Vermont, and to have been a man of great eccentricity.

Hannah Brainerd, the fourth child of Josiah Brainerd, died single in her father's house, August 11, 1787, in her forty-fourth year.

Ezra Brainerd, brother of Chiliab and Hannah Brainerd, lived all his days in the house built by his father, in Middle Haddam, a little east of what is appropriately called Quarry Hill, and nearly on a level with it. The quarry on the hill, or rather in the side



of it, on its descent towards Connecticut River, he is understood to have opened about 1762. In this he labored for a long period himself and then principally managed the concern. The business, in consequence of his example, and those whom he employed, was extended on Haddam Neck, and on the west side of the river in Haddam, and in several other places. In all the quarries on Haddam Neck, and in Haddam, before 1820, eighty or ninety hands were employed, in some seasons, in getting out the stone, in preparing them for market, and in carting them to wharves on the Connecticut, whence they were transported to other places on the river, but mostly to towns in Rhode Island, to Boston, New York, Albany, Baltimore, and as far south as Petersburg, Virginia. New York, however, was for a long time the principal market. The business for more than sixty years after its commencement increased, and some sixteen years since, a very large contract was made by an individual with the authorities of New Orleans, for carrying them to that city to be used for curbing and paving. But the business for some years has been much lessened by the opening of quarries in other parts of the country. The opening of them on the Hudson River has to a considerable extent, so far as paving is concerned, supplied the market in New York. The opening of the quarry at Saugerties, however, was by Silas Brainerd, from Haddam Neck.

But the sterling good sense of Ezra Brainerd early attracted the notice of the people of Haddam, con-

nected with his fair, moral, and religious character, and he early gained and long received the respect and confidence of people in the vicinity and in the State. He was elected a deacon in the church in Middle Haddam, November 27, 1771, and was active in the office until old age. He was also long a Justice of the peace. He was in many instances, for a very long course of years, a representative from Haddam to the General Assembly of Connecticut; and he acquired to an unusual degree, the respect and confidence of that body. He did not speak often nor long, but he listened with profound attention to what was said by others, and after making up his own mind he sometimes expressed briefly his convictions, and the convictions of no one commended themselves more to his associates.

His passions were naturally strong, and it required great efforts, as the writer once heard him say, to control them. But he gained such mastery over them, that for many years he was regarded as remarkably even tempered. He was an example of temperance also, as well as of piety, and that too, long before the temperance reformation began, which has prevented thousands and tens of thousands from being carried to an early grave.

In the latter part of his life, he was accustomed daily, when the weather was favorable, to go out and sit upon a rock above his quarry, almost directly over it, for the purpose of meditation; and a better place could hardly have been selected, whether he wished to contemplate the goodness of God towards him in his

descent from a pious ancestry, in sustaining him under arduous labors and numerous responsibilities, or the display of his attributes in his wonderful works. Within the reach [of his eye were the residences and burial places of his first American ancestors, and of many of his kindred. Immediately about him were the scenes of his labors, enjoyments, and trials, while before him was an extended amphitheatre of hills and mountains, vales and meadows, with the beautiful Connecticut meandering through them, rendered the more interesting by a busy navigation most of the year, propelled in different directions by wind and steam, carrying the products and inventions of different regions to their destination. There probably very often he presented his silent adorations, his thanksgivings, and his supplications to the God of nature and of grace. At length, having thus lived, on the seventh of April, 1837, aged ninety-three, he was gathered to his fathers, even as a shock of corn is gathered in its season, being fully ripe.

His funeral was attended the following sabbath, when a sermon was preached by the writer, to the large assembly collected to show respect to his character, and to follow him to his grave, from Rev. xiv. 13. "And I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

Dea. Brainerd was married three times; first to

Jerusha Smith, daughter of Lieutenant David and Dorothy (Brainerd) Smith, who died October 11, 1811, aged sixty-seven; secondly, to Widow Bethiah (Higgins, Post) Wilder, who had been married twice before, and who died May 2, 1827; and thirdly, to Widow Lucretia Post, of Essex, who survived him.

All his children were by the first marriage, viz. :

Frederic	Brainerd, born	Jan. 24, 1763.
Olive	“ “	July 5, 1764.
Dolly	“ “	April 24, 1766, died Aug. 4, 1766.
Dolly, second,	“ “	July 24, 1767.
Ezra	“ “	May 11, 1769.
Lucy	“ “	Aug. 13, 1771, died Sept. 13, 1771.
Israel	“ “	Sept. 14, 1772.
David	“ “	Jan. 17, 1775.
Joseph Spencer	“ “	Dec. 7, 1776.
Calvin	“ “	Sept. 23, 1778.
Jerusha	“ “	Mar. 10, 1783, died Mar. 18, 1783.
Jerusha, second,	“ “	Mar. 22, 1785.
Clarissa	“ “	Mar. 24, 1788.

Frederic Brainerd, the eldest of these children, married Anna Brainerd, daughter of Dea. Nehemiah, and Sarah Brainerd, of Haddam, October 12, 1786.  
Children :

Alfred	Brainerd, born	Dec. 6, 1787.
Jared	“ “	Feb. 2, 1789.
Dorothy	“ “	April 26, 1791, died single, Nov. 12, 1813.
Mary or Polly	“ “	Aug. 4, 1783.
Anna	“ “	Dec. 22, 1795.
A daughter	“ “	Oct. 18, 179—, who died in about 3 hours.
Amelia	“ “	June 24, 1800.
John	“ “	Dec. 7, 1803.

Frederic Brainerd died November 10, 1843; his wife died February 14, 1850, in her eighty-sixth year.



Alfred Brainerd married Talatha Brainerd, daughter of Simon Brainerd, January 27, 1806. Children:

Diodate Brainerd,	born	May 24,	1807.
A daughter	"	Feb. 9,	1809, died Mar. 26, 1809.
Jared Albert	"	Dec. 27,	1810, " Oct. 14, 1810.
David	"	Aug. 20,	1811.
Silvina	"	May 8,	1814.
Maryett Sophia	"	April 6,	1817.
Sarah	"	May 11,	1819.
Mary	"	Sept. 27,	1821.
Alfred	"	April 17,	1823.
Rebecca	"	Sept. 20,	1825.
William Fisk	"	Sept. 14,	1828.

The father died a few years since.

Diodate Brainerd married Rebecca Bradford, daughter of Joel Bradford, December 3, 1825. They lived for a time in Middle Haddam, and then moved to the city of New York, where he has been an agent several years. His present residence is in Brooklyn. Children:

Jerusha Brainerd,	born on	Haddam Neck,	Sept. 27,	1827.
Harry	"	"	Sept. 14,	1829.
Susan Louisa	"	"	Sept —,	1833.
George	"	"	Nov. 27,*	1845.

David Brainerd married Almira Florilla Brainerd, daughter of Roswell Brainerd, January 15, 1838. They have no children.

Silvina Brainerd was married to Benjamin Day, of Westchester, January 28, 1835. They lived on Haddam Neck, and have one child; Mary Brainerd Day, born August 12, 1844.

\* Thanksgiving day.



Maryett S. Brainerd was married to Charles Brainerd, son of Roswell Brainerd, November 7, 1838. See Charles Brainerd's family.

Sarah Brainerd is single, and lives at her father's.

Mary Brainerd died single, August 10, 1844.

Alfred Brainerd, jun., married Calista Lamissa Root, daughter of Dea. Edward and Calista (Brainerd) Root, January 22, 1845. They had two children when this was written:

Edward Post Brainerd, born Mar. 12, 1848.

Calvin Burdit " " Nov. 24, 1849.

Rebecca Brainerd is single.

William F. Brainerd married Sarah Sexton, daughter of Justin and Narcissa (Brainerd) Sexton, December 24, 1850. They had a son born in October, 1852.

Jared Brainerd married Polly Pierce, daughter of Dea. Pierce, of Milbury, June 23, 1811. She was born March 7, 1786. They live in Enfield, where he was a deacon some years in the Congregational Church. More recently he has attended a nearer church, organized in Thompsonville, according to the order of the Presbyterians, under the pastoral charge of the Rev. Joseph Harvey, D. D., in which he is now an elder.  
Children:

Alvira Watrous Brainerd, born Mar. 24, 1812.

Jared Frederic " " July 6, 1815, died Jan. 6, 1817.

Jared Frederic, 2d " " Mar. 19, 1818.

Harvey Pierce " " July 17, 1820.

David " " Oct. 31, 1823.

Alvira Watrous Brainerd was married to Jeremiah

Nims Parsons, of Enfield, April 10, 1834. They have had three children:

Harriet Watrous Parsons, born Dec. —, 1835, died Sept. 19, 1840.  
 Martha Fidelia “ “ April 9, 1839.  
 Brainerd Taylor “ “ Aug.—, 1841.

Mr. Parsons died January 13, 1851, aged forty-four.

Jared Frederic Brainerd married a Miss Baird, September 14, 1842. Children:

Sarah Jane Brainerd, born Sept. 13, 1846.  
 Frederic “ “ Aug. 17, 1848.

Harvey Pierce Brainerd married Mary Lavinia Brainerd, daughter of Ansel and Liva Shaler Brainerd, of Middle Haddam, June 30 or July 1, 1847. Their child, Mary Olivia Brainerd, was born April 26, 1848.

David Brainerd married Caroline King, daughter of Colonel Horace King, of Enfield, May 16, 1844. Children:

David King Brainerd, born Dec. 29, 1846, died April 15, 1847.  
 Horace “ “ Oct. 8, 1848.

Mary, or as otherwise called, Polly Brainerd, died April 22, 1849, aged fifty-six.

Anna Brainerd was married to John K. Northrum, son of Dea. Northrum, of Marlborough, in February, 1834. Children: Laura Northrum, born February, 1835, and Frederic, born 1837.

Amelia Brainerd kept house for General John Brainerd of Haddam, a considerable period. After his death, she lived with her brother, John Brainerd, on Haddam Neck, where she died a few years since.

John Brainerd married first Eliza Day, daughter of Daniel Day, of Westchester, in Colchester, November 1, 1826, who died January 5, 1844, in her fortieth year; and after her death, Delina Dickinson, daughter of Abner Dickinson, of Eastbury, in Glastenbury, February 14, 1845. Children by these marriages:

A son not named,	born May 30, 1827, died in a few hours.
A son " "	" Feb. 20, 1828, " "
Louisa Strong Brainerd,	" May 21, 1831.
Fiske " "	" Dec. 12, 1833.
Henry Lawrence " "	" Aug. 1, 1836.
Joseph " "	" Mar. 8, 1839, died Oct. 27, 1839.
John Leverett " "	" July 28, 1842.
Ezra Frederic " "	" April 25, 1846.
David Franklin " "	" Dec. 26, 1847, died Mar. 2, 1849.
Ann Delina " "	" May 14, 1851, " June following.

Olive Brainerd, the second child of Dea. Ezra Brainerd, was married as second wife to Robert Brainerd, son of Benjamin Brainerd. See notice of Benjamin Brainerd's family.

Dolly Brainerd was married to Jedediah Hubbard, of Middle Haddam, afterwards of Windham, New York, then of Farmersville. They had three children; Harriet and Lyman Hubbard, and a son whose given name is not known.

The mother being afflicted with disease, went to Hamilton for medical aid, where she died April 30, 1824. The father died at Farmersville, in December, 1834.

Ezra Brainerd, jun., learnt the trade, or rather the trades, of joiner and carpenter, and became an

architect. He built the church in Middle Haddam, which was dedicated in 1812; the bridge on the turnpike road, leading from the city of Middletown to Durham, and on to New Haven, which at the time was regarded as a fine structure, but which now bears the marks of decay and old age. He was also in 1818, the architect of Carthage Bridge, which was built by a company, and which was insured to stand one year, it being understood at the time that there were great difficulties in building a bridge securely over the Genesee River at that place. It stood a year, but the day after the year expired, it fell.

Mr. Brainerd married Mabel Porter, daughter of James Porter, of East Hartford, where he lived many years, and while there became a colonel of militia. She was born in June, 1770. Children:

Charlotte Brainerd,	born	July	1,	1786.
Ezra	"	"	Oct. 15,	1787.
Emily	"	"	June 1,	1789.
Erastus	"	"	May 7,	1792.
Lawrence	"	"	Mar. 16,	1794.
Lyman	"	"	July 28,	1796.
Norman	"	"	Mar. 2,	1799.
Otis	"	"	Jan. 12,	1801.
Sebastian	"	"	April 15,	1803.
Elvira	"	"	Sept. 18,	1805.
Almira	"	"	April 19,	1807.
Adaliza	"	"	June 8,	1810.

Colonel Brainerd died at Holley, New York, November 15, 1833. His wife died on the 27th of August, in the same year, while on a visit to Alberry Springs for her health. She had been living at St.

Albans with her son Lawrence, and was a woman of ardent piety.

Charlotte Brainerd was married to Orin Brooks, a farmer in Steuben, New York, where they lived some years, and then moved to St. Albans, where he pursued the same employment until 1836, when he settled at or near Bucyrus, Ohio, where he died in peace, being hopefully pious, in June, 1849. His wife, who has been a professor from her youth, and has maintained a Christian character, survives him, and resides in the vicinity. They had four children; Ezra Brainerd, Clement, Alvira, and Otis.

Ezra Brainerd Brooks died at St. Albans, aged thirteen.

Clement died at Ohio city, in 1838, aged twenty.

Almira Brainerd was married to M. Chadwick, and had one child, Charles Birney Chadwick. She died at Bucyrus, aged twenty-seven.

Otis Brooks married Mary Ann Savage, and had three children; Charles, Normand Brainerd, and Otis. The last born March 10, 1853. The father, Orin Brooks, died at Bucyrus, September, 1852, aged 27.

Ezra Brainerd learned the trade of a joiner from his father, and labored with him a few years. He married Louisa Robins, daughter of Zebulon Robins, of Rocky Hill, May 11, 1808. She was born October 27, 1789. Soon after their marriage they moved to Martinsburg, New York, where six children were born to them:



Louisa	Brainerd, born Oct. 5, 1809.
Mary Ann	“ “ Feb. 28, 1813.
Hannah C.	“ “ Sept. 28, 1815, died April 5, 1817.
Almira	“ “ Nov. 14, 1817.
Lawrence Robins	“ “ Oct. 20, 1819.
Fidelia R.	“ “ Aug. 3, 1821.

The father died August 18, 1832, and his widow May 22, 1839, having sustained the character of a devoted Christian.

Louisa Brainerd has been married three times; first to Levi Wood, and after his death to a Mr. Ufford, and after his death to a man whose name and residence have not been communicated to the writer. She had three children by her first husband, and three by her second.

Mary Ann Brainerd was married to E. Savage. They are said to have lived in Hartford, and to have had seven children, but I have not succeeded in getting further information of the family.

Almira Brainerd was married to Allen Bliss, of Plainville, Illinois, and has two children.

Lawrence R. Brainerd, after acting as a clerk in several stores, engaged in mercantile business for himself, in St. Albans, and has been greatly prospered. He is a member of the Congregational Church, and has recently adopted the principle of giving a certain portion of his goods to benevolent objects as the Lord prospers him. He married Catharine Wood, of Malone, New York, January 17, 1844, and has the following children :

Ezra	Brainerd, born Dec. 17, 1844.
Catharine Wood	“ “ July 6, 1846.
George Werden	“ “ Jan. 23, 1848.
Charles Nelson	“ “ April 27, 1849.
Frederic Lawrence	“ “ Dec. 19, 1851.

Mrs. Brainerd died, but the exact date of her death I cannot give; and he was married to Nancy Maria Foot, his cousin, May 21, 1855.

Emily Brainerd was married at East Hartford, Connecticut, to Adaniram Foot, of Martinsburg, New York, January 28, 1817. She was a professor of religion at the time of the marriage, and he became so soon afterward, and is now an elder in the Presbyterian Church. They had six children:

Amanda	Foot, born Oct. 6, 1817, died July 6, 1818.
Emily	“ “ Oct. 1, 1818.
Normand B.	“ “ Dec. 2, 1820.
Duane D.	“ “ May 13, 1822.
Nancy Maria	“ “ May 27, 1824.
John Bartlett	“ “ July 1, 1826.

Emily Foot was married to Samuel Mills, of Martinsburg, October 8, 1838. They had four children, three sons and one daughter. The mother died October 1, 1846.

Normand Brainerd Foot is a merchant in Rome, New York, of the firm of Bloss and Foot. He married Maria Mills, of Lowville, Lewis County, October 31, 1848. They have two children, a daughter and a son.

Duane D. Foot lived in Martinsburg until within a few years, and then moved to Turin, where he lives

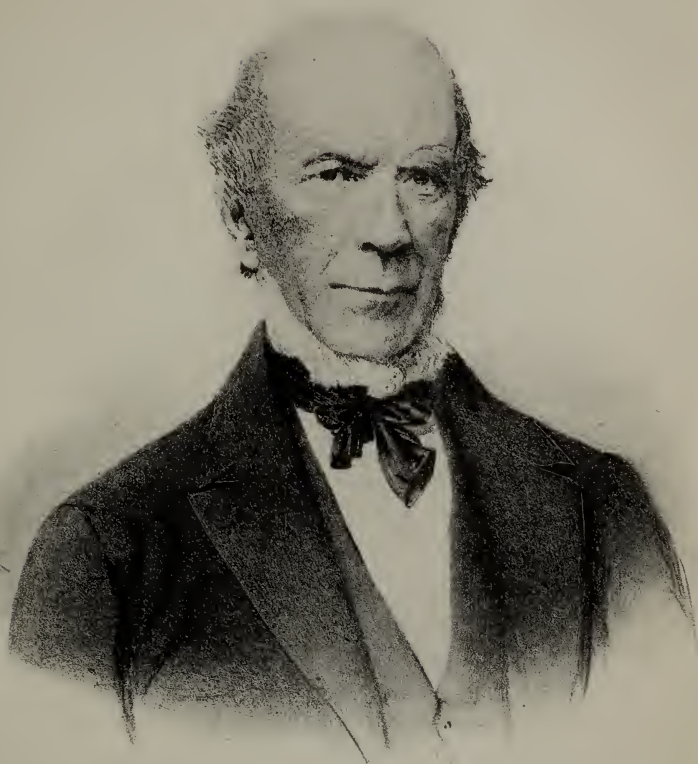
near his father. He married Margaret A. Evans, February 27, 1849. They had three sons; Ellis Evans, Ezra Brainerd, and Aldis Dutcher Foot. His father is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Nancy Maria Foot is also a member of the Presbyterian Church.

John Bartlett Foot is a Methodist preacher, who labored not long since at Sackett's Harbor. He married May 19, 1851, Mary Stilphen, of Bartlett, N. H., and has one child, a son.

Erastus Brainerd settled somewhere about the Black River, in New York, as a shoemaker. Losing his health, he returned to East Hartford, where he died, aged twenty-four. Though he did not make a public profession of religion, he declared before his death that he depended entirely on the merits of Christ for salvation.

Lawrence Brainerd, from nine to fourteen years of age, lived with his uncle, Joseph Spencer Brainerd, in Troy, New York, and then went with that uncle to St. Albans, where he has resided. He was about seven years a clerk in stores, and afterwards entered upon mercantile business himself, in which he continued many years; but for some time he has been extensively and very successfully engaged in the land trade, and President of St. Albans Railroad. He has been very zealous in the "abolition cause," and besides being a representative to the General Assembly, has been repeatedly nominated for governor. He is a member of the Congregational Church.



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He married Fidelia B. Gadcomb, January 16, 1819. She was born in Rhode Island, March 31, 1793, and died October 18, 1852. Having been a woman of ardent piety, she died with bright prospects of a blessed immortality. They had twelve children :

Ann Eliza	Brainerd, born	Oct. 7, 1819.
Laura Alcice	“ “	Jan. 4, 1821, died Aug. 6, 1821.
Lawrence	“ “	May, 27, 1822.
Alcice Owen	“ “	Feb. 27, 1824,
Fidelia Gadcomb	“ “	Dec. 31, 1825, died Aug. 19, 1827.
Frederic Porter	“ “	Dec. 31, 1827, “ July 16, 1828.
William Gadcomb	“ “	Feb. 10, 1829, “ July 27, 1830.
Erastus Porter	“ “	Dec. 31, 1830.
Edward Gadcomb	“ “	July 13, 1833, died Aug. 27, 1835.
Charles Herbert	“ “	Oct. 29, 1835, “ Sept. 17, 1837.
Herbert	“ “	Dec. 25, 1837.
Miranda Alcice	“ “	Dec. 12, 1841.

The first four children now living are professors of religion.

Ann Eliza Brainerd is the wife of John G. Smith, Esq., a lawyer in St. Albans. They have had three children ; George Gregory Smith, Ann Eliza Brainerd, and Lawrence Brainerd Smith. The last child is dead.

Lawrence Brainerd, jun., manages his own and his father's farming interests. He married Louisa T. B. Smith, daughter of Hon. John Smith, of St. Albans. They have one child, Francis Maria Brainerd.

Alcice Owen Brainerd is a merchant in St. Albans, and occupies his father's store. He married Jane Eliza French, daughter of John French, of St. Albans. They have one child, Fidelia Gadcomb Brainerd.

Erastus Porter Brainerd is a dealer in tin, copper ware, and stoves. He is unmarried.

Herbert and Miranda A. Brainerd are pursuing their education.

Lyman Brainerd left East Hartford when nine years of age, and lived with his uncle, Rev. Israel Brainerd, in Guilford and Verona, New York, until he was between sixteen and seventeen years of age, when he returned to East Hartford, and a year later entered on an apprenticeship at the tanning and currying business in Middle Haddam. He afterwards established himself in the business of manufacturing leather in South Hadley, Massachusetts, where he continued until the summer of 1837, when he removed to St. Albans, where he has pursued the same business until the present time, though he has recently turned his attention partly to agriculture. He married Sally Hall, daughter of Dr. Timothy Hall, of East Hartford, November 22, 1820. They have seven children, all born in South Hadley except the youngest, who was born in St. Albans:

Lyman Oscian	Brainerd,	born	Dec. 19,	1821.
Emma Sophia	"	"	Dec. 16,	1823.
Eliza Ann	"	"	Sept. 15,	1826.
Joseph Augustus	"	"	Aug. 26,	1829.
Henry Hall	"	"	June 13,	1832.
Mary Amelia	"	"	Jan. 18,	1835.
Caroline Sarah	"	"	Oct. 28,	1840.

The father has for more than twenty years entertained a hope in the mercy of God, and become a

member of the Congregational Church. He died in 1855.

Lyman O. Brainerd keeps a livery stable in Boston. He married Sarah A. Griggs, of that city, and has three children; Frank Wendal, aged about four years, Charles Henry, about two, and an infant daughter.

Joseph A. Brainerd is a manufacturer of tin and copperware in Boston, and Henry H. is clerk in a store there. The four daughters live with their parents. The eldest is a professor of religion.

Norman Brainerd, at the age of eighteen, went and labored with his father on the famous Carthage Bridge. He there married a woman whose given name was Grace, of the town of Brighton, but soon moved to Holly, where he lived several years. There he buried his father, who died November 7, 1833. Shortly after he removed to Hartland, Livingston County, Michigan, where he was a farmer and keeper of the poor of the county. There he died; one account says in the fall of 1851, but another says more definitely, that he died of cholera, September 13, 1852. An obituary notice in a journal of that county speaks of him as follows:

“Mr. Brainerd is well known as one of the early settlers of our county, and who commenced his home, where he has lived and died, in the forest, with only Indians for his neighbors and Indian trails for public roads. Mr. Brainerd ever evinced a deep interest in whatever concerned the public good. He assisted in

the organization of the first school district in this town, was at the first religious meeting, and aided in the establishment of the first Christian church; was at the first and every funeral in his neighborhood up to the time of his death, and was deacon of the Congregational Church when he died. These few facts are an index of his general character. His death is truly a public loss, and a deep affliction to his bereaved family."

The children of Norman and Grace Brainerd were: Norman Porter, Edwin Erastus, Julia and Lorenzo, born in the State of New York; Mabel, Elvira, Emily, Morris Dutcher, and John Wesley Brainerd, born in Michigan.

When the account of Norman Brainerd's family was written, there were some grandchildren belonging to it, and two great-grandchildren.

Otis Brainerd, when young, went into the western part of New York, and labored with his father some years. He married a woman whose given name was Eleanor Dorothy, and they afterwards settled in Michigan. But the country being then new, and great difficulties in supporting his family arising, he relinquished his settlement there and removed to St. Albans, where he continued the business of farming. Soon after this he buried his wife, the mother of his first four children, Alonzo, Susan, Ellen, and Otis, the last of whom died young. Several years after he married Clarissa Baker, of Sheldon, by whom he had five children; Fidelia, Porter, Emily, Otis



second, and Willing, if I read the name right; though it may be that this name is mistaken for William. In St. Albans, Mr. Brainerd was a member and class leader in the Methodist Church. About five years before his death he removed to Scranton, Vermont, and purchased and cultivated a small farm, though in poor health. He died April 5, 1847.

Sebastian Brainerd left East Hartford when about sixteen years of age, went to St. Albans, was first a clerk and finally a partner in a store, where he was in trade about ten years. He then emigrated to Massillon, Ohio, where he resumed mercantile business in connection with a Mr. Rawson, and was prospered for a few years. He then sold out, went sixty miles south to Dover Mills, purchased a tract of land and a flouring-mill; but meeting with some reverses he returned to Massillon, and was elected cashier of Union Bank. Here he died May 17, 1850. An obituary notice, after mentioning facts just named, says that he filled the post of cashier "to the satisfaction of the stockholders and directors till the time of his death. By all who became well acquainted with him he was much esteemed both as a citizen and a business man. He has left a widow and several children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and indulgent father. As an honest, upright business man he had few superiors, and the loss to the community and to the institution in which he was an officer, will be severely felt. He was a professor of religion some years before his death."



His wife was Helen E. Hawley, of Massillon, whom he married March 10, 1835, soon after first settling in that village, and by her he had six children; Nancy, Helen, Adelia deceased, Fidelia, an infant deceased, Rawson, and Emily. The family continue at Massillon.

Elvira Brainerd was first married to David Morris, of Holly, New York, and after his decease, to Dea. Kendal Wilder, of Cuba, in the same State, and is an esteemed and exemplary professor of religion. She has no children.

Almira Brainerd, at the age of twelve, went to St. Albans to live with her brother Lawrence, and at about twenty was married to Luther L. Dutcher, Esq., a druggist in that place. He is a member and deacon in the Congregational Church. They had the following children:

Frederic	Dutcher, born April 16, 1828.
Luther Brainerd	“ “ June 8, 1830, died May 7, 1834.
Almira Brainerd	“ “ June 21, 1832.
Daniel	“ “ July 7, 1834.
Mary Emily	“ “ April 13, 1837.
Edward	“ “ June 15, 1839, died Mar. 7, 1851.
Anna Eliza	“ “ May 17, 1841, “ Sept. 24, 1841.

The mother died August 14, 1841. She had been “an exemplary Christian, and died with the blessed hope of a glorious immortality.”

Frederic Dutcher married Minerva Huntington.

Almira B. Dutcher was married to Frank R. Carpenter, and has an infant child.

Adaliza Brainerd is not married. She lived in Holly and Cuba, but 'about four years since came to St. Albans, and has since lived with her brother Lawrence. She is a member of the church.

Israel Brainerd was graduated at Yale College in 1797, studied theology with Dr. Charles Backus, of Somers, and was ordained pastor of the First Congregational Church in Guilford, Connecticut, June 11, 1800, where he remained in that capacity until June 11, 1806, when he was dismissed by a council. The residue of the summer he supplied the congregation in Derby, and in September was commissioned by the Missionary Society of Connecticut to labor one year on the Reserve in Ohio; but at his request the commission was modified, and he was appointed to labor four months in the western counties of New York and the northern counties of Pennsylvania. On arriving at Oneida County, he visited Verona, where he had acquaintances, and preached to the destitute people there several sabbaths, and then went on to the wide field for missionary labor specially assigned him, and in the course of four months visited settlements in the three counties of Otsego, Chenango, and Broome in New York, and of Wyoming and Lucerne, in Pennsylvania, then returning to the people of Verona, as they had requested him. They soon gave him a call to become their pastor. The town was new and the church feeble; the proposals of the people therefore were, that he should labor for them one half of the

first year, that the next year he should add to the one half of the year a quarter of the remaining half, and thus proceed, until on the fourth year he should supply them the whole time; and that then they would be responsible for his entire salary. The Missionary Society of Connecticut soon assured him, being desirous of having pastors settled in the new settlements as soon as they might be, that they should employ him in their service when not employed at Verona. He was installed at that place on the 24th of September, 1807, and remained the pastor of the church until the latter part of 1836. He resigned his charge on the first sabbath in July in this year, and preached his farewell sermon, though the pastoral relation was not dissolved by the Presbytery to which he belonged, until their meeting some weeks after. In the early part of his pastorate he performed much missionary service. At different periods he went over the counties of Oswego, Jefferson, and Lewis, and several towns in Oneida County. During the whole of this service he preached the gospel from Ontario on the north, to Wysox, on the Susquehanna River, sixteen miles below Tioga Point. After his dismissal the Presbytery of Oneida appointed him to labor a year in destitute churches in their bounds.

Numbers were added to the church in Guilford during the six years in which Mr. Brainerd was pastor, and an accession which followed for six months was ascribed to the blessing of God on his labors. Hence

his successor, Rev. Aaron Dutton, said to him, "You sowed the seed and I gathered in the harvest." But he was permitted to see much more fruit from his labors, and greater displays of divine grace after he went to the State of New York.

Mr. Brainerd married Mary Huntington, of Woodbridge, December 30, 1800, and they had the following children :

Israel Huntington Brainerd,	born	Feb.	8,	1808.
Mary	"	"	Mar.	4, 1810.
Harriet	"	"	Mar.	28, 1812.
Cornelia	"	"	May	14, 1814.
Elizabeth	"	"	Sept.	4, 1816.
David Lewis	"	"	Feb.	12, 1821.

Israel H. Brainerd died in Albany, July 8, 1836. He had been a clerk in a store, and a chorister for some time in Dr. Sprague's church, with a salary of \$200 a year.

Mary Brainerd was married to Ammi Bailey Clark, February 7, 1830. They reside in Kirkland, New York, in the village of Clark's Mills, where he and two brothers own a large cotton factory, and much other property in the village. The children of Ammi Bailey Clark and wife are :

Cornelia Huntington Clark,	born	Feb.	28,	1832.
Harriet	"	"	May	28, 1837.
Anna Mary	"	"	May	14, 1843.
Lewis Brainerd	"	"	Jan.	20, 1849.

Harriet Brainerd was married to Amos Scott, October 29, 1837. They reside in Elyria, Ohio. They have no children.



Cornelia Brainerd was married to Jeremiah Higbee, February 14, 1843. They lived in Harrisville, Medina County, Ohio, where she died October 17, 1847, leaving one son, James Brainerd Higbee, born June 8, 1846.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to Rev. George W. Thompson, December 25, 1838. They live in Syracuse, and have four children: Mary Brainerd Thompson, born January, 1839; Martha, born May, 1842; George Huntington, born December, 1846; and Lewis Beecher Thompson, born February 4, 1849.

David Lewis Brainerd died in Harrisville, September 3, 1847. He had served his time as a clerk in the store of his brother-in-law, Mr. Higbee, and was about to commence business by himself, when attacked by dysentery, and removed from all earthly concerns.

Rev. Mr. Brainerd and wife lived for a time with their daughter, Clark, at Kirkland. He died in 1854, aged eighty-two.

David Brainerd married Sarah Sears, daughter of Hezekiah and Deborah (Spencer) Sears, in October, 1795. She was born in Middle Haddam (Chatham part) September 19, 1777. They had four children:

Harriet	Brainerd,	born	Feb.	4,	1796.
Narcissa	"	"	April	25,	1797.
Cyrus	"	"	Dec.	15,	1798.
David Artemas	"	"	Oct.	16,	1809.

The father was lost at sea, in November, 1809, with Captain Chauncey Brainerd and others. The



widow was married to William Kelley, of Haddam Neck, by whom she had one child, William Kelley. The family now live in Greenburgh, Trumbull County, Ohio.

Harriet Brainerd was married to Charles Sperry, of Gates, New York. The family moved some years since to Quincy, Illinois, where she died in September, 1851, having three children; Narcissa Amelia, De Witt Clinton, and Bainbridge Sperry.

Narcissa Brainerd was married to Justin Sexton, a native of Colchester, December 11, 1817. They live in Middle Haddam, and have had eleven children:

David Brainerd Sexton,	born	Nov. 15,	1818.
George	" "	Jan. 6,	1820, died Oct. 24, 1820.
George second	" "	Aug. 8,	1821.
Calvin	" "	June 6,	1823.
Narcissa	" "	Mar. 17,	1825.
Cyrus	" "	Feb. 4,	1827.
Elizabeth	" "	Nov. 3,	1828.
Sarah	" "	Jan. 8,	1831.
Justin	" "	Dec. 22,	1832.
Daniel Edward	" "	Sept. 5,	1835.
Charles Sperry	" "	June 8,	1839.

David Brainerd Sexton lives in Waterford, where he married Mary Ann Howard, in December, 1846, who died about February, 1849, leaving a daughter, who died a few days after her. Mr. Sexton married Sarah Reed, of New London, in November, 1850.

George Sexton, the second child of that name, married Clarissa Caroline Barton, daughter of Hubbard Barton, of East Hampton, January 15, 1851.

Calvin Sexton married Louisa Selden, daughter of Elias and Clarissa (Sears) Selden, January 14, 1851.

Narcissa Sexton was married to Luther Nelson Arnold, son of Colonel Theodore and Esther (Selden) Arnold, October 19, 1851.

Of Cyrus and Elizabeth Sexton, the writer can state nothing further.

Sarah Sexton is the wife of William Fiske Brainerd. See genealogy of Alfred Brainerd's family.

Of Justin, Daniel Edward, and Charles Spencer Sexton, no further knowledge is possessed.

Cyrus Brainerd, brother of Narcissa Brainerd, married Clarissa Barton, daughter of William Barton, of East Hampton, in 1820. They live at Lamburgh, Iroquois County, Illinois, and have four children; Lorenzo, Jane Ann, Barton, and Ellen Brainerd.

David Artemas Brainerd married Eliza Dence, of Schenectady, New York, in 1843. They live in New London, and have two children; David Artemas Brainerd, and Sarah Jane Brainerd; the latter born February 9, 1848.

Joseph Spencer Brainerd, the ninth child of Dea. Ezra and Jerusha (Smith) Brainerd, was a clerk in the store of General Epaphroditus Champion, of East Haddam. He married Hannah Hungerford, daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Green) Hungerford, of Hadlyme, May 24, 1800. She was born July 13, 1778. They lived a few years in Chatham, and then in Troy, New York. In both places he was engaged in mer-

chandise. In October, 1808, they removed to St. Albans, Vermont, where he died January 1, 1817. His widow still survives him. Their children were :

Joseph Hungerford Brainerd,	born in Chatham,	Mar. 22, 1801.
Hannah	“ “ “	Jan. 12, 1803.
Henry Lyman	“ “ Troy	Jan. 18, 1806.
Timothy Green	“ “ “	Jan. 24, 1808.
George	“ “ St. Albans	Feb. 9, 1810, died three weeks old.
George second	“ “ “	Mar. 24, 1811.
Ezra	“ “ “	Dec. 18, 1813. died Sept., 1814.
Ezra second	“ “ “	Aug. 1, 1815.

Joseph Hungerford Brainerd was graduated at Yale College in 1822, spent 1823 in teaching school in the State of Georgia, read law and practised a few years in St. Albans. For some years he was a Senator in the Legislature of Vermont, and for about twenty has been Clerk of the Courts in Franklin County. He is a deacon in the Congregational Church. He married Fanny Partridge, daughter of Dea. Cotton and Hannah (Lyman) Partridge, of Hatfield, Massachusetts, May 8, 1839. Children: Joseph Partridge Brainerd, born June 27, 1840; Elizabeth Little, born March 26, 1843, who is dead; George Cotton, born November 23, 1845; and Fanny Partridge, born April 14, 1848.

The mother died in May following the birth of the last child.

Hannah Brainerd was married to Dea. Samuel Todd, of Enosburgh, May 31, 1848. They live in Enosburgh, but have no children.

Henry Lyman Brainerd has always pursued farming, though many winters he has taught school. He married Caroline Olds, daughter of Dea. Elias and Abigail Olds, April 15, 1835. They have no children of their own, but have adopted two children of Otis Brainerd, deceased, grandchildren of his uncle, Colonel Ezra Brainerd; namely, Otis and Emily Brainerd.

The family moved to Scranton, adjoining St. Albans some ten years since, where he is a prosperous man, having a rich productive farm.

Timothy G. Brainerd was graduated at Yale College in 1830. For some years after he contemplated law as his profession, though he spent most of the time in the instruction of youth; he also directed his attention to legal studies. For the first nine months he taught a public school in Wethersfield, Connecticut, and recited Blackstone to Judge Martin Wells. At this time he boarded with the late Rev. Dr. Tenney, then pastor of the church in that town. Spending about six months with his maternal grandmother in East Haddam, he read law under the instruction of Hon. E. A. Buckley, then of that town, now of Hartford. He afterward spent nine months in the family of the Hon. Samuel A. Law, of Meredith, Delaware County, New York, being recommended to that gentleman by President Day, where he instructed a few scholars, and also studied law. In these several places, and with the helps afforded him, he went through with nearly the whole course of study prescribed then



by the New Haven law school. But he was led at length to give up all designs of prosecuting the law as his profession.

His health on leaving college was poor, but had become much better about the time he had studied law as far as I have stated; and thus improved, he was induced to pursue the business of instruction further. He took charge of Randolph Academy, Vermont, where he remained principal of the institution three years, and had a large and prosperous school. But while here he was brought very low by a severe fit of sickness. On recovering from this, "he determined to leave the law for the gospel," though he taught at the academy at Royalston one term, I believe, subsequently to his recovery. He repaired to the theological seminary at Andover, where he was graduated in September, 1839, having been licensed to preach the preceding April, by the Andover Association. Having preached in several other places, he first preached in Londonderry, the first sabbath in June, 1840, where he was settled by the Londonderry Presbytery, on the 5th day of November following, and where he has since remained pastor.

Mr. Brainerd first married Harriet Poor Cilley, September 6, 1841. She was born at Nottingham, N. H., September 22, 1811, and was daughter of Major Jacob Cilley and Harriet (Poor) Cilley, the mother being a native of Exeter.\* She died September 23,

\* Her grandparents were General Joseph Cilley, of Nottingham, and General Enoch Poor, of Exeter, both officers of the Revolutionary army.



1848, and Mr. Brainerd married Lucinda Rebecca Dewey, of Hanover, N. H., daughter of Elias Dewey and Mary (Newell) Dewey. The Newell family are from Bradford, Vermont.\* All his children, excepting the youngest, were by the first marriage:

Harriet Poor	Brainerd, born	Sept. 9, 1842.
Julia Dana	“	Nov. 24, 1843.
Henry Hungerford	“	Jan. 31, 1845, died Feb. 5, 1848.
Martha Cilley	“	Nov. 12, 1846.
Hannah Hungerford	“	Sept. 22, 1848.
Henry Green	“	May 23, 1852.

George Brainerd second, was a clerk in the store of Timothy Green and Asahel Pratt, of East Haddam. He was engaged a number of years in merchandise in the State of Georgia, and while there he studied law, and was admitted to the bar, but did not enter on practice. After this he was engaged in merchandise about two years in New Hampshire. He is now engaged in the real estate business in the city of New York. August 14, 1850, he married Sarah Bartlett, daughter of Bradbury Bartlett, of Nottingham, N. H. They have one child:

George Henry Brainerd, born June 3, 1851.

Ezra Brainerd second, also a clerk in the store of Green and Pratt, E. H., commenced business as a merchant in Stillwater, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, in the autumn of 1838, where he pursued that business some six years. He has since been a farmer and miller;

\* Her grandfathers were William Dewey, formerly from Marlborough, Connecticut, and Elisha Newell, formerly of Stoneham, Massachusetts.

postmaster since 1840; has been repeatedly elected Justice of the peace, and was a representative of the County in the State Legislature for the sessions of 1847 and '8, and 1848 and '9.

He married Catharine Salter, daughter of Aaron and Mary (Taylor) Salter, February 14, 1842. She was born in Pennsylvania, April 26, 1823, but brought up in Tallmadge, Summit County, Ohio, whither her parents moved in 1826, as they have since to Stillwater, Tuscarawas County, Ohio. Children:

George	Brainerd,	born	Nov. 22,	1843.
Daniel Hine	"	"	May 25,	1847, died the same day.
Hannah	"	"	April 24,	1855.

Calvin Brainerd, the tenth child of Dea. Ezra and Jerusha (Smith) Brainerd, lived on Haddam Neck, and pursued the quarrying business until the autumn of 1824, when he moved to Henrietta, Monroe County, New York, where he lived eight years. He then moved to Gates, where he lived nineteen years; since then he has lived in Kendall. He married Sarah Brainerd, daughter of Dea. Nehemiah and Sarah Brainerd, of Haddam, October 4, 1799. Children:

Ursula	Brainerd,	born	June 29,	1800.
Calista	"	"	Mar. 26,	1802.
Claudius	"	"	April 14,	1804.
Julia	"	"	April 12,	1806.
Sarah Minerva	"	"	April 2,	1808.
John C.	"	"	June 6,	1810.
Nehemiah	"	"	April 26,	1812, died Nov. 23, 1818.
Cordelia	"	"	May 30,	1814.
Lydia Fisk	"	"	June 21,	1816, died May 3, 1826.
Nehemiah	"	"	Oct. 16,	1818.

Ursula Brainerd was married to Judah L. Mitchell, of Colchester, September, 1824. They moved immediately to Wheatland, Niagara County, New York, and then to the neighboring town of Pekin. Children:

Mary	Mitchell, born Mar. 6, 1826, died July 19, 1832.
Calvin Brainerd	“ “ April 19, 1829.
Sarah C.	“ “ Mar. 4, 1831.
Olive	“ “ Feb. 27, 1836.
Gilbert	“ “ April 17, 1838.

Two of these children are married; Calvin B. Mitchell to Martha Ann Dutcher, March 2, 1851, and has one child, Joseph C., born February 28, 1852; Sarah C. Mitchell to John B. Orton, October 2, 1850, and has also one child, Clarissa B., born August 12, 1851. The family now live in Niagara County, New York, where Mr. Mitchell is a carpenter and joiner, and a Methodist preacher.

Calista Brainerd was married to Dea. Edward Root, of Marlborough, afterward of Haddam Neck, now of Middletown. Their children are Calista Lammissa, Edward, and Calvin Burdet Root.

Calista Lammissa Root is the wife of Alfred Brainerd, jun. See Alfred Brainerd's genealogy.

Claudius Brainerd married first, Cynthia Root, February 16, 1826, and after her death, March 5, 1838, Nancy S. Brainerd, daughter of Roswell and Laura (Sherman) Brainerd, September 2, 1838. He lives in Kendall, is a farmer, and also a preacher. Children:

Chauncey S.	Brainerd, born	April 14, 1827,	died Feb. 11, 1834.
Nehemiah F.	“	“ Feb. 13, 1831,	“ April 19, 1831.
A daughter	“	“ July 23, 1833,	“ July 31, 1833.
A daughter	“	“ June —, 1836,	“ two months and two days.
A son	“	“ Mar. 5, 1838,	“ Mar. 9, 1838.
Roswell	“	“ June 24, 1839.	
Laura Ann	“	“ Sept. 28, 1841.	
Julia Almira	“	“ Jan. 28, 1844.	
Emma Calista	“	“ Nov. 4, 1846.	
Chauncey	“	“ May 2, 1849.	

Julia Brainerd was married to Henry Tarbox, in 1825. They live in Henrietta, where he is a mechanic engaged in the making of wagons and ploughs. They have lost four children, of whom no account is given. The surviving children are:

Sarah Brainerd Tarbox,	born	January, 1833.
David B.	“	“ “ 1836.
Henry Fiske	“	“ “ 1839.
Myron Holly	“	“ “ 1843.
Julia	“	“ “ 1845.

Sarah M. Brainerd was married to James H. Hopkins, who is a farmer, and lives in Grant County, Wisconsin. They have several children.

John C. Brainerd married Mary Pease, January 18, 1832. Their children are:

John Fiske Brainerd,	born	July 18, 1832,	died	Feb. 23, 1840.
Eliza A.	“	“ Jan. 9, 1835.	“	soon.
Ezra	“	“ May 27, 1837.	“	Dec. 17, 1837.
John C.	“	“ Oct. 2, 1844.		
Mary S.	“	“ Feb. 20, 1847.		
William Pease	“	“ July 27, 1849.		

Cordelia Brainerd was married September 6, 1836, to Eleazer Thomas. Their children:



Emma Brainerd Thomas,	born	Oct. 22,	1839.
Mary H.	“	“	Aug. 29, 1842.
Edward C.	“	“	Dec. 14, 1845.
Charles B.	“	“	Feb. 23, 1848.
Eleazer H.	“	“	Oct. 4, 1851, died Sept. 20, 1852.

This family lives at Tonawanda, where Mr. Thomas is a minister of the gospel, of the Methodist denomination.

Nehemiah Brainerd, the youngest child of Calvin and Sarah Brainerd, is a farmer, living at Frenimore, Grant County, Wisconsin. Their children are Calvin Parker Brainerd, Mary Adelaide, and Arrament.

Minerva Brainerd was married. Her husband's name I do not know. They have had the following children: Charles, Cornelia, James, Claudius B., Harriet M. and Edward.

Jerusha Brainerd, the twelfth child of Dea. Ezra and Jerusha (Smith) Brainerd, was married to James Kelsey, son of George and Esther (Boardman) Kelsey, of Haddam, February 3, 1808. They lived in Haddam several years, and then moved to Wheatland, New York, where he died. The widow lives in the same place. They had eight children; James Kelsey, Cynthia, David, Jason, Jerusha, Clarissa, Esther, and Jonathan Kelsey.

The first-born of these children is married, and lives in Michigan. The second is the wife of Amos Buell, and lives in Wheatland.

Of David, and the other children, the writer has no further information.



Clarissa Brainerd, the thirteenth and youngest child of Dea. Ezra and Jerusha (Smith) Brainerd, was married to Percy Steele, of Windham, New York, September 4, 1808, where the family still live. Their children are :

Jerusha	Steele, born Feb. 23, 1811.
Ezra Brainerd	“ “ Aug. 23, 1813.
David	“ “ Aug. 11, 1815.
Russell	“ “ Oct. 3, 1818.
Hannah	“ “ Mar. 19, 1821.
Daniel	“ “ Oct. 5, 1824.
Clarissa	“ “ April 15, 1830.

Jerusha Steele is married, and lives in Michigan, and has a number of children.

Ezra Brainerd Steele died single, as did also David Steele.

Russell Steele is married, and lives in Windham.

Hannah Steele is the wife of Charles Manning, and lives in Utica.

Daniel Steele was graduated at the Wesleyan University, in Middletown, and is a Methodist clergyman. In 1850, he married a Miss Binney, of Wilbraham.

Clarissa Steele lives with her father.

Israel Brainerd, brother of Dea. Ezra Brainerd, settled at Campton, N. H., when a young man, and remained there probably nearly twenty years. Some meadow lands there are now known as the “Brainerd lands.” But his mind was afterwards drawn towards Danville, Vermont, where an individual began to fell

trees in 1784. Mr. Brainerd visited Danville in the autumn of 1785, when about fifty families were settled in the place, though he did not move his own family thither until the autumn of the next year. There he spent the residue of his days, was regarded as a man of superior abilities and devoted piety. For about twenty-six years he was a deacon in the church. He died in 1818 or 19.

The maiden name of his wife was Deborah Willey. She is supposed to have been a native of Middletown, Connecticut, but at the time of her marriage to Mr. Brainerd was the widow of a Mr. Hoyt. She was about two years older than her second husband, and sustained an excellent character. They had nine children, all of whom, with one exception, lived to adult age, and became professors of religion. Their names were: Asa Brainerd, born January 5, 1773; Deborah, Sally, Israel, Susan, Rhoda, Prudence, Amos, who died, aged about four years; and Ezra.

Asa Brainerd married three times; first Sally Wells, April 10, 1798, who was born October 19, 1776, and died September 4, 1822. Second, Azubah Melvin, October 8, 1823, who died December 22, 1830. Third, Sarah Hazeltine, June 30, 1831. He had eight children by the first marriage and one by the second. The family lived in Danville. Where he and his two first wives died, I cannot state. His third wife died October 27, 1848. Children:

Sally	Brainerd, born Jan.	8, 1799.
Asa	“ “	Mar. 2, 1801.

Ira	Brainerd, born Mar. 2, 1803.
Amanda	“ “ Oct. 20, 1805.
Hamitta	“ “ Dec. 17, 1807, died Oct. 2, 1811.
Rhoda	“ “ April 30, 1810.
George Webster	“ “ July 31, 1812, died Mar. 3, 1813.
Hiram	“ “ Mar. 15, 1815.
Mary Riley	“ “ Jan. 17, 1830.

Sally Brainerd lives in Danville, and is unmarried.

Of Asa Brainerd, the next child, the writer has no further knowledge.

Ira Brainerd is in mercantile business in Danville, and has been for several years president of the Calcedonia Bank, located in that town. He married Martha Page, January 12, 1831. She having died March 6, 1837, he married Widow Eunice Deming, October 1, in the same year. He has one child by the first marriage:

George Brainerd, born May 19, 1833.

Amanda Brainerd was married to Josiah Welton, in March, 1832. She died May 21, 1848. They had no children.

Rhoda Brainerd was married to Abram S. Webster, in March, 1838. They live in Montpelier, and have one child, Amanda Webster, born in 1835, and married to Henry B. Wood, in August, 1852.

Hiram Brainerd lives in Danville, is a farmer and butcher. He married first, Deborah Page, October 4, 1837. She died January 23, 1841, and he married Mehetabel Browne, on the 19th of the following September. There is one child by the second marriage, Charles Deming Brainerd, born September 11, 1842.

Mary Riley Brainerd, the youngest child of Asa Brainerd, and the only child by the second marriage, is now a teacher at Boonville, Missouri.

Prudence Brainerd, sister of Dea. Ezra and Dea. Israel Brainerd, was married to Ebenezer Foot. Children :

Ebenezer Foot,	born	Feb.	1,	1782.
Prudence	"	"	July	3, 1784.
Susannah	"	"	Dec.	3, 1785.

The mother of these children died at Spencertown, New York, March 10, 1789, where the family is supposed to have resided. Ebenezer Foot died February, 1814, but whether the father of the above children is intended, or the oldest child, the writer is not certain; probably the father.

Susannah Brainerd, sister of Prudence, was married to Aaron Selden, November 6, 1777. Children :

Silas	Selden,	born	Nov.	6,	1779.
Rebecca	"	"	Feb.	9,	1782.
Rebecca	"	"	_____		
Hannah	"	"	_____		
Wealtha	"	"	July	18,	1789.
Susannah	"	"	Sept.	—,	1791.
Sarah	"	"	Feb.	22,	1795.

Silas Selden is a bachelor, living on Haddam Neck.

Jesse Selden, who was also a bachelor, died some years since.

Rebecca Selden was married to Samuel Petit, of New York. They lived in Meriden, had six children, all daughters, four of whom were married. The father is dead, and one of the married daughters.



Hannah Selden was married to Sylvester Higgins, and moved to South Hadley. They had nine children. The father is dead.

Wealtha Selden lives with her brother Silas.

Susannah Selden lives with her youngest sister, Sarah.

Sarah Selden is the wife of Oliver Arnold. They live on Haddam Neck, and have had six children; Corile Emily, living at home; Jane Ellen, who was married in May, 1848, lives in Middle Haddam, and has one child, a son; Mary and Maria, twins, the former living, the latter dead, aged about seven years; Watson and Josephine, the second of which children died very young.

Nathan Brainerd, the youngest child of William and Sarah (Bidwell) Brainerd, married first, a woman whose given name was Ruth, October 25, 1739. She died July 31, 1741, and he married Sarah Gates, of East Haddam, January 17, 1743. He had one child by the first marriage and eight children by the second. Another account says nine, and this account varies somewhat a few dates. The first account speaks of the children as follows:

Eunice Brainerd,	born	July	26,	1740.
Nathan	"	"	Jan. 15,	1744.
Ruth	"	"	Feb. 24,	1745.
John	"	"	Aug. 3,	1746.
Lucy	"	"	April 24,	1748.
Thomas	"	"	Feb. 9,	1751.
Stephen	"	"	July 12,	1752.
Sarah	"	"	June 22,	1755.
Jesse	"	"	Aug. 7,	1757.



The second account accords with this as to the first five children, but says that Thomas, or another child of that name, was born August 18, 1749; and then it gives two children by the name of Stephen, the first born January 27, 1751, and dying on the 11th of February following; the second Stephen, it says, was born June 10, 1752; Sarah, it says further, was born December 29, 1753, and Jesse, September 29, 1756.

The family lived in Middle Haddam, where the father died September 25, 1776, in the sixty-third year of his age. He is interred in the graveyard at the Rock Landing. When his second wife died the writer does not know, nor has he come into the possession of any account of the first child.

Nathan Brainerd, jun., married a Miss Smith, of Chatham, and they lived in the Chatham part of Middle Haddam Society. He had by her eight children. The mother died, and he married Lydia Brooks, widow of Captain Jabez Brooks, and daughter of Rev. Benjamin Bowers, the first minister of Middle Haddam Society, and had by her one child.

The names of the children were: Oliver Brainerd, Nancy, Nathan, Achsah, Thomas, Lydia, Stephen, John, and Jonathan Brainerd.

The father died April 29, 1809, and is buried in the Youngs' graveyard. The second wife died June 8, 1802, in her seventy-sixth year.

Ruth Brainerd, the third child of the first Nathan Brainerd, died single, on Haddam Neck, aged, perhaps fifty.

John Brainerd also died single, perhaps thirty.

Lucy Brainerd was married to Warren Green, of East Haddam. The family moved to Warren, Otsego County, New York, where both died. They had several children.

Thomas Brainerd studied medicine with Dr. Percival, of East Haddam; practised some years in a town in Vermont, returned to Haddam Neck, was a deacon in the church. In 1814, he moved to Ludlow, Massachusetts, where he died. He never married.

Stephen Brainerd second, moved to Ludlow with his brother Thomas, but returned to Haddam Neck, where he died in April, 1837. He never entered into married life.

Sarah Brainerd was married to James Usher, of Westchester, in Colchester, brother of Dr. Robert Usher, January 20, 1774. They had a number of children, and lived in different places; some years since they lived in Canaan, New York.

Jesse Brainerd married Hannah Cook, of Middle Haddam, June 28, 1781. Children: Betsey, Sally, Polly, who died six weeks old; Belinda, who died, aged one year and six months; Sylvester, born June 6, 1789; William, Lyman, Polly, second child of the name; and Russell, who died from a scald, in 1809, a year and a half old.

Betsey Brainerd was married to Jesse Spencer, of East Haddam. They lived on Haddam Neck about four years, and then moved to Orford, now Man-

chester, where she died about 1831. They had two children, Russell and Maria Spencer.

Sally Brainerd was married to Warren Brainerd, See genealogy of Simon Brainerd's family.

Sylvester Brainerd married Sophia Shaler, daughter of Reuben and Hannah (Fisk) Shaler, December 4, 1816. Their children were Hannah Vienna Brainerd, born February 1, 1818; and Hezekiah Brainerd, born March 22, 1821.

Jonathan Brainerd, youngest child of Nathan Brainerd, and his only child by his second wife, Lydia (Bowers Brooks) Brainerd, was a hatter. He moved to De Ruyter, Madison County, New York, in April, 1820, where he prosecuted hatting until 1833; but afterward more generally engaged in farming. He married Sally Sage, daughter of Justin and Mary (Benjamin) Sage. Their children were:

William N. Brainerd,	born	Jan. 9,	1823.
Lydia Jane	"	Feb. 20,	1826.
Harriet M.	"	Feb. 9,	1829.
Cornelia C.	"	Jan. 29,	1831.
Rhoda S.	"	Jan. 5,	1834.
Helen L.	"	May 9,	1837.
Henry G.	"	Jan. 23,	1841.

William N. Brainerd married Melinda Cooley, May 4, 1853. He is now living in Sacramento, California.

Lydia J. Brainerd was married to Lewis Walker, October 10, 1849. They live in California.

Harriet M. Brainerd was married to John Helm, December 3, 1851. She died in Syracuse, New York, April 25, 1852.

Cornelia C. Brainerd was married to Cyrus R. Jones, September 13, 1848.

Rhoda S. Brainerd was married to Ira Benjamin, December 3, 1851. They live in Rockford, Illinois.

Helen and Henry remain with their parents.

Deborah Brainerd was married to Josiah Bachel-dor, and has had four children; Andrew, Amos, Josiah, and Sophronia. The first and last of these children are now living; Amos died young; Josiah lived to adult age, married, had several children, and died about 1845.

Sally Brainerd was married to Isaac Rogers, and has had nine children, whose names have not been communicated to me. The family are living at Wil-bourne, Canada East.

Israel Brainerd, jun., married Roxalana Houghton, and has had seven or eight children. The family are living at Stanstead, in Canada West, where he is a deacon in the church.

Susan Brainerd was married to a man by the name of Richmond, of East Shipton, Canada East. They have had six children.

Rhoda and Prudence Brainerd never married; both are dead.

Ezra Brainerd married Nancy Hurd, and had eight or nine children. He died a few years since at Melbourne, Canada.

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CALEB BRAINERD, the sixth child of Dea. Daniel



and Hannah (Spencer) Brainerd, married Elizabeth Bidwell, May 1, 1701. They lived in Haddam, but some of their children settled in Middletown. They were born as follows :

Caleb Brainerd,	born	Feb. 4,	1702.
Jacob	"	"	Aug. 20, 1703.
Joshua	"	"	May 20, 1707.
Obadiah	"	"	May 20, 1709.
Elizabeth	"	"	June 13, 1711.
Nathaniel	"	"	Aug. 26, 1713.

Sergeant Caleb Brainerd died August 11, 1742.

Of Caleb Brainerd second, nothing further is ascertained.

Jacob Brainerd married Thankful Brainerd, February 4, 1731. Their children were :

Rachel Brainerd,	born	Oct. 7,	1732,	died	single.
Thankful	"	"	Sept. 18, 1734,	"	July 7, 1737.
Bushnell	"	"	Jan. 25, 1737,	"	single.
Lydia	"	"	April 23, 1739,	"	May 24, 1757.
Thankful	"	"	Mar. 11, 1741,	"	Mar. 28, 1757.
Ruth	"	"	Mar. 23, 1744,	"	single, and probably very young.
Aaron	"	"	April 1, 1745.		
Jacob	"	"	Mar. 3, 1748.		
Israel	"	"	May 28, 1751,		died single.

Jacob Brainerd, the father, died April 4, 1755.

Aaron Brainerd married, it is believed, Lydia Homer, a cousin, though Elizabeth, one of the daughters, thinks her name was Lydia Bates. It is said they had twenty-two children, though a number of them died in infancy, probably unnamed. The following were among the twenty-two, though we are by no



means sure of giving them in all instances in the order of birth, namely: Mary Brainerd, born about 1770, and died in February, 1804, aged thirty-four; Naomi, Reuben, Mary second, Jacob, Caleb, born October 10, 1777, Elizabeth in 1779, Lucinda in 1783 or '4, Samuel, Joshua, born about 1789, Lydia, Abigail, Thankful, Rhoda, Sylvanus, and Lorinda.

It is not ascertained when the parents died.

Naomi Brainerd was married to George Spencer, jun., of East Hartford. They have two sons and a daughter.

Reuben Brainerd married Lois Smith, daughter of William Smith, and had three children; Cynthia, Olmsted, and Mary Brainerd.

Cynthia Brainerd is the wife of Sylvanus Hull, of Durham. They have six children.

Olmsted Brainerd married Minerva Bailey, daughter of Oliver Bailey, of Middlefield. They had three children. The mother dying, he married Marietta Gladwin, daughter of Silas Gladwin, April 30, 1837, by whom he had one child. His children are: Wilbur Fisk Brainerd, Shaler Smith, a son not named that died soon, and Silas Gladwin Brainerd, born February 1, 1839.

Mary Brainerd, second child of the name in the family of Aaron and Lydia (Homer) Brainerd, was married to Austin Bailey, son of Nathaniel Bailey.

Austin Bailey was killed by the falling of a limb from a tree.

Jacob Brainerd married, first, Persa Bailey, by whom he had three children, the second of whom died soon after birth, and was not named; another, a male infant, died October 5, 1806, aged one day; the third child, a son, named Joel Arnold Brainerd, died May 28, 1810, aged ten months and seven days. The mother having died October 19, 1811, aged twenty-eight, Mr. Brainerd married as a second wife, Abigail Bushnell, August 20, 1812. They have had nine children:

Samuel	Brainerd, born July 12, 1814.
Esther	" " Jan. 12, 1816.
Persa	" " Jan. 30, 1818, died Dec. 2, 1823.
Titus	" " Dec. 30, 1819.
Tabitha Ann	" " Jan. 21, —.
Persa Maria	" " Jan. 30, 1824 or '5, died Oct. 7, 1843.
Female infant	" " ———, which died in 2 or 3 hours.
Sidney	" " May 30, 1828.
Louisa Eveline	" " Mar. 8, 1832.

Louisa Eveline, sister of Titus, was married to Titus D. Peck, of Bethany, February 6, 1853.

Titus Brainerd was married to Melissa Spencer, daughter of George Spencer, December 5, 1845. She was born June 1, 1826. They have one child:

Carlos Brainerd, born December 6, 1846.

Caleb Brainerd married Sally Spencer, daughter of Elihu Spencer, and had two children, Mary and Minerva Brainerd.

He is dead, and his widow is now the wife of Bartholomew Bailey, of Durham.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to Israel Strong. They live in Bolton, and have nine children.

Lucinda Brainerd died February 27, 1808, aged twenty-four.

Samuel Brainerd married his cousin, Abigail Brainerd, daughter of Abigail Brainerd Treat. They now live in Middletown, and have one child.

Joshua Brainerd married Hannah Butler, and had fourteen children, whose names I cannot give fully, but among them were the following: Joshua Brainerd, jun., Alonzo, Nancy, Lucinda, Hezekiah, born about 1819; Aaron, Michael, two children, both of whom died young, one being drowned in a kettle of water, the other dying from disease; Abraham, Mabel, Isaac, Joseph, and Mary Brainerd.

Joshua Brainerd, jun., has been married twice.

Of Alonzo I can give no information.

Nancy Brainerd was married and lived in Middletown.

Lucinda Brainerd had a child, which died March 17, 1841, aged three weeks. She was married some years since, and lived in Middletown.

Hezekiah Brainerd died November 6, 1840, aged twenty-one.

Of Aaron and Michael Brainerd I must say, as of Alonzo, that I can give no information.

Abraham Brainerd married, and lives in Middletown.

Mabel Brainerd had a child, whose name I am un-

able to give. She was afterward married to William Buell.

Of Isaac, Joseph, and Mary Brainerd, I am ignorant.

Lydia Brainerd, daughter of Aaron and Lydia Homer Brainerd, was married first to William Treat, and afterward to Challenge Morgan, with whom she was recently living in Middletown.

Abigail Brainerd was married to George Treat, in Winsted, Connecticut. They afterward lived in Tolland.

Thankful Brainerd was married to Nathan Paine. They live in the region of Black River, New York, and have children.

Rhoda Brainerd was the second wife of Nathaniel Bailey.

Sylvanus Brainerd married Lucy Holden, of Chatham, and had some children. He was drowned.

Lorinda Brainerd lived long in the family of James Kelley Child, and is still living with those of his children who occupy the old homestead.

Joshua Brainerd, the third son of Caleb and Elizabeth (Bidwell) Brainerd, born May 20, 1707, is supposed to be the person whose family is spoken of in a small folio volume of marriages, births, &c., in the Town Clerk's office at Middletown, p. 56.

“Joshua Brainerd, his record of births:

Abner [Brainerd] son of Joshua and Mary, his first wife, born May 1, 1731.

Mary wife of Joshua Brainerd, died February 14, 1732-3.



Joshua Brainerd and Hannah Spencer were married January 3, 1733-4, and had four daughters :

Mary Brainerd, born Jan. 28, 1735.

Hannah " " April 18, 1736, died April 24, 1738.

Hannah 2d " " April 9, 1738.

Elizabeth " " May 24, 1740.

Simon Brainerd married Hepzibah Spencer Brainerd. They lived in Haddam, and had two children : Jabez Brainerd, born August 13, 1758 ; and Jepthai Brainerd.

Jabez Brainerd moved from Haddam to Dempster, N. H., in 1780, where he married Lucy Bingham, daughter of Dr. Elijah Bingham, who had removed thither a little time before from Windham, Connecticut. They had three children ; Sarah Brainerd, who died in infancy ; Nathan, born July 20, 1787 ; and Harriet, born September 3, 1790.

The family moved from Dempster to Vermont, and afterward to Cleveland, Ohio. The mother died in August, 1846, and the father, March 12, 1853.

Nathan Brainerd is married, and has children in Cleveland, one of whom has a large music store.

Of Harriet Brainerd nothing more is known.

Jepthai Brainerd married Abigail Mack. They moved, first, to some place in the State of New York, and thence to some part of Lucerne County, Pennsylvania. They had two children, Darius and Jepthai Brainerd.

Hepzibah Brainerd, sister of Simon, Jepthai and Jabez, died single at East Haddam.



Tabitha Brainerd was married to William Isham, of Westchester.

Lydia Brainerd went to Vermont, and when over fifty years of age was married to a Mr. Day.

Thomas Akens and Hannah Brainerd were married January 26, 1748. Children :

Sarah Akens,	born	Mar. 31,	1750.
Anna	"	" June 20,	1752.
Thomas	"	" May 4,	1754.
Martha	"	" Sept. 24,	1756.
Jane	"	" Mar. 4,	1759.
William	"	" Feb. 4,	1764.

Samuel Brown, of Middletown, and Elizabeth Brainerd, of Colchester, were married April 27, 1758. Children :

Elizabeth Brown,	born	Jan. 1,	1759.
Samuel	"	" Jan. 14,	1761.
Susannah	"	" April 16,	1763.
Mary	"	" April 8,	1767.

Gideon Hurlburt and Deborah Brainerd were married February 14, 1750-51. Children :

Jonathan Hurlburt,	born	Nov. 30,	1751, in Groton.
Dorcas	"	" April 4,	1753, " Haddam.
Gideon	"	" Aug. 20,	1755, " "
Reuben	"	" Feb. 15,	1758.
Phebe	"	" Aug. 26,	1760.

Abner Brainerd married Elizabeth Champion, of East Haddam, December 27, 1757, and had by her one child :

Elizabeth Champion Brainerd, born November 16, 1758.

The mother died on the day of this child's birth.

Mr. Brainerd married Elizabeth Burr, September 16, 1761, and had by her two children :

Joshua Brainerd, born July 1, 1762.

Abner " " June 18, 1764.

Jepthai Brainerd married Anna Markham, January 10, 1771. Children :

Anna Brainerd, born Oct. 25, 1771.

Obadiah " " Jan. 22, 1773.

Jepthai " " Nov. 4, 1774.

Samuel " " Dec. 10, 1776.

Isaiah " " Aug. 5, 1779.

Daniel " " Dec. 29, 1782.

Mary " " Mar. 10, 1786.

Timothy " " Feb. 14, 1788.

Concerning the two first of the above children I have no certain information.

Jepthai Brainerd, jun., married Catharine Comstock, August 14, 1802. She was born August 20, 1778. They had the following children, a large number of which were born in Western New York, whither the family moved :

Anna Brainerd, born Nov. 20, 1803.

Emalina " " Nov. 20, 1805.

Catharine " " Oct. 27, 1807.

Edwin " " Nov. 7, 1809.

Daniel " " May 15, 1812.

Pamela " " June 19, 1814.

Wealthy Ann " " July 23, 1816, died Mar. 2, 1817.

William " " June 15, 1818, " April 16, 1819.

Jepthai " " Mar. 17, 1822.

Anna Brainerd died February 26, 1847.

Emalina Brainerd was married to John Powell, in

February, 1830. The family reside at Oneida, Knox County, Illinois, and have had eight children: Harvey, Charles, Edwin, Cervette, Jephthai B., Catharine, Eugene, and Lucina.

Catharine Brainerd was married to Orange White, April, 1832, and died June 2, 1833, leaving one child, Delia White.

Edwin Brainerd married Mercy White, December 6, 1842. They live at Oneida, Illinois, and have three children; Anna Brainerd, Everet B. and Caroline.

Daniel Brainerd received the advantages of the Academy or high school, at Whitesborough, New York, where his father resided in his youth. He also commenced professional studies there, in 1829, but soon went to Rome, where he pursued them further, enjoying at the same time the benefit of lectures. He attended two courses, one at the Medical College in Fairfield, and the other at Jefferson College, Philadelphia, where he was graduated in the spring of 1834. He then returned to Whitesborough, where he remained two years with his former preceptor, nominally in practice, but mostly engaged in the study of the Latin and French languages, and professional teaching. In the spring of 1836, he gave his first course of lectures, which was on anatomy and physiology, in the Oneida Institute. In August, 1836, he removed to Chicago, where he remained until October, 1839, when he took a voyage across the Atlantic, and visited Paris for the purpose of improving himself further for his profession,



Daniel Bevinard, M.D.





where he remained until April, 1841, when he returned and resumed his practice. Soon after this he was appointed professor of anatomy in the University of St. Louis, where he gave another course in the winter of 1852-3. He is a corresponding member of the Society of Surgery in Paris, and of the Medical Society of the Canton of Geneva. He received the prize at the meeting of the Medical Society in St. Louis, in May, 1854. At the present time he is president and professor of surgery in the Medical College in Chicago, surgeon of the United States Marine Hospital, surgeon of the Mercy Hospital, &c. These statements show that he is much employed and much honored.

February 5, 1845, he was married to Evelyn Slught, and has had four children; Julia, Eclivia, Daniel, and Robert P. Brainerd, the two last of which are dead.

Pamela Brainerd was married to Lucius Eames, June 14, 1848. They live at Oneida Centre, and have two children.

Jepthai Brainerd married Lois C. Van Wagonin, April 18, 1849. His wife died March 7, 1852, and he married her sister the succeeding year. He has one child.

Samuel Brainerd, brother of Jepthai Brainerd, married, and has nine children, six sons and three daughters; Obadiah Brainerd, Philena, Stephen, Mary, Alvah C., Charles, Sarah, Daniel, and Henry. The sons are all farmers.

Obadiah Brainerd lives in Warren, Trumbull County, Ohio, is married, and has five children.

Philena Brainerd is the wife of Charles Higby. They live in Trenton, Oneida County, New York, and have also five children.

Stephen Brainerd lives in Adams, Jefferson County, New York, and has three children.

Mary Brainerd was married to James H. Hall. They live in Gouverneur, in the same county and State, and have five children.

Alvah C. Brainerd and Charles Brainerd live in the same county. The former is in Watertown, and has one child; the latter is in Rutland, and has six children.

Sarah Brainerd is the wife of Daniel N. Higby. They live in Mecca, Trumbull County, Ohio, and have two children.

Daniel Brainerd lives in Adams, Jefferson County, New York. Is married, and has four children.

Henry Brainerd lives in Hartford, Van Buren County, Michigan. Is married, and has two children.

Joshua Brainerd, the third child of Caleb and Elizabeth Bidwell Brainerd, was married to Mary ——, and had by her one child, and after her death, February 14, 1732-3, he married Hannah Spencer, June 3, 1734, and had by her three children. The children were born as follows: Abner Brainerd, May 1, 1731; Mary, January 28, 1735; Hannah, April 9, 1736, who died April 24, 1738; and Elizabeth, May 24, 1740.

Obadiah Brainerd, the fourth son of Caleb Brainerd, married Zipporah Johnson, September 16, 1731, and had by her one child. The mother dying July 17, 1734, he married Mary Johnson, September 18, 1735, and had by her eight children. The children were born as follows :

Caleb Brainerd,	June 17, 1734.
Obadiah	“ July 24, 1736.
Zipporah	“ Oct. 16, 1737.
Timothy	“ April 22, 1740.
Caleb	“ July 26, 1741.
Jepthai	“ Mar. 2, 1746.
Mary	“ Sept. 2, 1748.
Obadiah 2d	“ April 14, 1751.
Hannah	“ Aug. 11, 1754.

The father of these children died in Middletown, June 6, 1790, in his eighty-first year, and is there buried. Two females are buried near him, probably related to him; Mrs. Mary Brainerd, who died December 2, 1775, in her twenty-third year, and Mrs. Hannah Brainerd, who died December 2, 1776, also in her twenty-third year.

Elizabeth Brainerd, the fifth child of Caleb and Elizabeth (Bidwell) Brainerd, was married to Stephen Johnson, of Middletown, October 11, 1739.

David Brainerd, son of ——— Brainerd, married Rachel Smith, June 5, 1780. Their children :

Daniel Brainerd, born	Mar. 13, 1784.
David	“ “ June 25, 1786.
Mary	“ “ April 29, 1788.
Dolly	“ “ Aug. 22, 1791.
Amasa	“ “ July —, 1800.

Daniel Brainerd married Lucinda Coleman, December 14, 1831. Children:

Daniel Coleman Brainerd,	born	Feb. 27,	1833.
Rachel Elizabeth	"	"	May 29, 1834.
Mary Eliza	"	"	June 14, 1835.
Isaiah Smith	"	"	Jan. 23, 1849

Daniel Coleman Brainerd married Louisa Carrier, June 1, 1853. Child:

Franklin Coleman Brainerd, born April 11, 1854.

David Brainerd married Mary Sweet. Children:

Sarah Brainerd,	born	————	1811.
David	"	jun. "	———— 1816.
Cordelia	"	"	———— 1820.

Cordelia Brainerd was married to William Tiffet.

Mary Brainerd was married to Jeremiah Tiffet, of Nassau, New York, and had nine children. The mother died in September, 1851.

Dolly Brainerd was married to Harvey L. Griffin, of Stephentown, New York.

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ELIJAH BRAINERD, the sixth son and seventh child of Dea. Daniel Brainerd, one of the proprietors and first settlers of Haddam, married first, Mary Bushnell, of Norwich, September 28, 1699, by whom he had seven children. She dying September 11, 1735, he married secondly, Margaret ———, September 6, 1738, by whom he had two children. The children were:

Mary Brainerd,	born	June 20,	1700.
Abigail	"	"	June 18, 1702.



Joseph Brainerd,	born	June 21,	1704.
Elijah	“	“	Sept. 22, 1706.
Thankful	“	“	July 22, 1709.
Rachel	“	“	May 13, 1712.
Jabez	“	“	Feb. 19, 1715.
Esther	“	“	Aug. 16, 1717.
Phineas	“	“	Oct. 17, 1720.

When the father of these children, and when his second wife died, has not been ascertained; nor has any further information been found concerning four of their children, Mary, Abigail, Thankful, and Rachel.

Joseph Brainerd married, and had three sons, and perhaps some daughters. The sons were Increase, Joseph, and Josiah.

Increase Brainerd married Hepzibah Spencer, December 26, 1762. She was admitted to the church in November, 1765, and their children were born and baptized as follows:

Stephen Brainerd,	born	Nov. 25,	1763,	baptized	Nov.,	1765.
Mindwell	“	“	Jan. 10,	1769.	“	Mar., 1769.
Reuben	“	“	July 21,	1771.	“	Aug., 1771.
Increase	“	“	Sept. —,	1776.		

Joseph Brainerd died unmarried, December 5, 1711, aged seventy-six.

Josiah Brainerd married Abigail Lewis, relict of Eleazer Lewis, June 4, 1777. They had no children, and removed about 1806, to Windham, New York.

Elijah Brainerd, jun., afterwards deacon in the church, married Phebe Bailey, April 4, 1732. Children:

Elisha Brainerd,	born	Mar. 7,	1733.
Elijah	“	“	Sept. 5, 1734.



Prosper Brainerd, born Jan.	6,	1737.
Mary " "	Feb.	3, 1738.
Zachariah " "	Feb.	6, 1742.
Susannah " "	Feb.	6, 1744.
Timothy " "	May	23, 1746, died in 1753.
Mindwell " "	Oct.	7, 1748.
Martha " "	Jan.	21, 1751.
Timothy 2d " "	April	2, 1754.

Dea. Elijah Brainerd died May 9, 1764.

Elisha Brainerd married Martha Hubbard, daughter of Dea. John and Elizabeth (Stow) Hubbard, of Middletown, March 9, 1757. Children:

Martha	Brainerd, born	Mar. 23,	1758.
Phebe	" "	Oct. 18,	1759.
Elizabeth	" "	Aug. 4,	1761.
Elisha	" "	Dec. 30,	1763.
A daughter	" "	Feb. 6,	1766, died soon.
Abigail	" "	Feb. 6,	1768.
Jemima Hubbard and Amos	} "	July 13,	1769.
John	" "	July 28,	1771, died young.
Jabez	" "	April 23,	1773.

Martha Brainerd was married to Cephas Selden, of Middle Haddam, afterwards of Hartland.

Phebe Brainerd was the wife of John Hubbard, son of Dea. John Hubbard, of Middletown.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to a Mr. Young, of Moromos, in Middletown.

Elisha Brainerd second died in Middletown, many years since.

Abigail Brainerd was the first wife of Captain Reuben Bates. She died childless.

Jemima Hubbard Brainerd was married to Samuel

Bailey, son of William Bailey, had several children, and died October 18, 1840, aged seventy-one.

Amos Brainerd moved to the West.

Jabez Brainerd died in Middletown, in 1848.

Elijah Brainerd married Lucy Smith, daughter of Stephen Smith, and had thirteen children :

Elijah	Brainerd, born	Oct. 25, 1757.
Lydia	" "	Mar. 23, 1759.
Lucy	" "	Feb. 1, 1761.
Samuel	" "	Feb. 2, 1763.
Alice	" "	Mar. 18, 1765.
Jemima	" "	April 18, 1767.
Asahel	" "	April 1, 1769, died Nov. 27, 1770.
Asahel 2d and Sarah }	" "	Oct. 7, 1771.
Lois	" "	Nov. 18, 1773, died Feb., 1775.
Ezra	" "	May 4, 1776.
Lois 2d	" "	Sept. 18, 1778.
Joshua	" "	Feb. 27, 1780.

When the father of these children died I cannot state. The mother died November 24, 1826, aged eighty-seven.

Elijah Brainerd second was in the service of his country in the Revolutionary war, and received an injury in one of his hips which made him permanently lame. He was graduated at Dartmouth in 1785; began to preach soon after, and was pastor for a time of the Congregational Church in Randolph, Vermont. The sufferings from his injury about that time threatened his life; but afterwards becoming better, he preached occasionally, and then for considerable periods in vacant congregations. He was afterwards in-

stalled pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Pelham, by the Londonderry Presbytery of New Hampshire, to which that church belonged, where he was pastor seven years. After his second dismissal he preached in various places for a shorter or longer time. At length Bishop Griswold, of Massachusetts, admitted him to deacon's orders. Subsequently going to North Carolina, in which State one of his sons, Carolus Columbus, was in the Episcopal ministry, and rector of the churches in Warrenton and Williamsburgh, he preached in Episcopal churches in that State, particularly in his son's church in Warrenton, where he died May 23, 1828, in the seventy-second year of his age.

His wife was Parthena Marsh, daughter of Lieutenant-Governor Joseph Marsh, of Hartford, Vermont. She died April 12, 1827, aged fifty-nine. Their children were: Nancy Collins Brainerd, Parthena, Lavinia, Henry Augustus, Elijah William Stanislaus, Carolus Columbus, Susan Luphania, Mary Marsh, Joseph Marsh, who died at Pelham, three days old; and Joseph Marsh second.

Nancy Collins Brainerd was much interested in the well-being of young children, and was long employed in instructing them. She died in Albany, a single woman, in 1847.

Parthena Brainerd was the first wife of Rev. Hart Talcott, a very devoted and worthy clergyman; first settled in Killingworth Town, now Clinton, Connecticut, afterward in Warren, in the same State. She

died while her husband was in the ministry in Clinton, leaving two children, William Hart, and Susan Maria Talcott.

Mr. Talcott married as a second wife a Miss Warner, of Canaan, New York, and had children by her; and it should be added, that the second wife was exceedingly kind and faithful to the children of the first wife as well as to her own, both before and after her husband's death. Mr. Talcott's death occurred at Warren.

A daughter of Mr. Talcott, by the name of Susan, it is said, was married, and died childless. A son of his also is said to have become a druggist, and to have died at the South.

Lavinia Brainerd, when a young woman, went among the Oneida Indians and instructed the women and children for some months in the rudiments of literature and religion. She afterwards went to Charleston, South Carolina, and opened the Charleston Female Seminary, where she exerted herself to imbue the minds of the young ladies with the principles of the gospel, as well as to instruct them in secular knowledge. She had several female assistants, and graduates of colleges, as professors in the institution, which secured the patronage of the highest classes in Charleston, and various other places. This she continued a number of years, and the number of pupils arose as high as one hundred and eighty.

In May, 1831, she was married to John Goff Rand, of Bedford, N. H., a portrait painter. They went to



London in 1833, which was their home until 1849, since which time they have resided in New York.

Though engaged in London in the prosecution of his art, Mr. Rand also painted some in Paris. In England, he painted four original portraits for the Duke of Sussex. A portrait of Lord Bexley, the second President of the British and Foreign Bible Society, is suspended in the principal room in the Bible House, New York, where the American Bible Society and their officers hold their meetings. In this city, Mr. Rand is now prosecuting his profession.

Henry Augustus Brainerd resided in Albany a considerable period, where he died of cholera in 1854. He was feeble in health and never married.

Elijah W. S. Brainerd, while studying for the Episcopal ministry at Charleston, South Carolina, was drowned in the act of bathing. The melancholy event occurred not far from that city, near Christ Church Parish, where a monument is erected over his grave. His age was twenty-five years.

Carolus Columbus Brainerd studied theology, was admitted to priest's orders by Bishop Rosencraft, and was rector of the churches in Warrenton and Williamsburgh, North Carolina. He died single, at Warrenton, in 1827, aged twenty-six, and was buried in the church.

Susan Luphania Brainerd was an instructress in the Charleston Female Seminary, and has since taught females privately in Albany, where she now lives.



Mary Marsh Brainerd was a teacher of music and French in the same seminary. She was married, in 1832, to Peter Fleming, from Scotland, a civil engineer. They live in Albany, and have had the following children: Ellen Brainerd Fleming, Mary, Charles, Columbus, Gertrude Sophia Vasintart,\* and Agnes Fleming.

Joseph Marsh Brainerd second, is a watchmaker, lives in Amesbury, Massachusetts. He married and had one child, Nancy Brainerd. The mother is dead.

Lydia Brainerd was married to Abner Porter, and had by him two children, Aaron and Abner; and after his death she became the second wife of Walker Knowles, and had by him three children, William, Lydia, and Willard.

Aaron Porter lives in Atwater, Ohio; and Abner Porter, in Leyden, in the same State; William Knowles lives in Middletown, Connecticut; Lydia and Willard both married, live in Haddam.

Lucy Brainerd was married to Oliver Edgerton, of Randolph, Vermont, a prosperous farmer and an excellent man. They had eight children:

Brainerd Edgerton,	born	Aug. 10,	1790.
Permelia	"	"	July 29, 1791.
Sylvester	"	"	Oct. 2, 1792.
Lydia	"	"	Dec. 29, 1794.
Oliver	"	"	Sept. 7, 1800.
Philura	}	"	"
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Sarah	"	"	Nov. 30, 1804.

\* Nicholas Vasintart was Lord Bexley's name.

The mother died in 1844. The time of the father's death I do not know; nor am I informed as to the family of Brainerd Edgerton, the oldest son.

Permelia Edgerton was married to Charles Adams, January 28, 1810. She died in 1851.

Sylvester Brainerd lives in Randolph. Is a farmer, and unmarried.

Lydia Brainerd was married to Studson Caswell.

Oliver Brainerd is a trader in Troy, New York. He married Hannah Converse.

Philura Brainerd was married to a Mr. Haze. They live in Hanover, N. H.

Philury Brainerd was married to Jeremiah Chandler. They live also in Hanover.

Sarah Brainerd lives in Randolph, and is unmarried.

Samuel Brainerd was married to Hannah Burr. They moved to Norway, New York.

Alice Brainerd was married to her cousin, Isaac Brainerd, and had eleven children.

Jemima Brainerd was married first to Whitmore Crook as a second wife. He was accidentally killed, and she was married to Captain Stephen Dickinson as a second wife. Both have gone to their graves.

Asahel and Sarah Brainerd, twins, were the first subjects of baptism in the Third Congregational Church in Haddam, the huge walls of which are now standing, arresting the attention of travellers, and almost threatening to stay their progress. But blessed be God, there many souls have been trained for heaven.

Asahel Brainerd settled in Randolph, Vermont, and is a farmer. He married Lydia Loveland, November 25, 1796. They have had three children; Asahel Brainerd, jun., born November 15, 1797; Orpha, March 31, 1803; and Lydia, March 1, 1805.

Asahel Brainerd married Miriam Merrell, of Randolph, February 4, 1824, and has had four children, the two first of which were Ezra Albert, born September 8, 1828; and Miriam Merrell Brainerd.

The family live in Peterborough, N. H., where he is a harnessmaker.

Miriam M. Brainerd is a seamstress, living in Keene.

Louisa Brainerd is a teacher in Hanover.

Olivia Brainerd died March 6, 1842.

Sarah Brainerd was married to Eliezer Bailey.

Ezra Brainerd, the tenth child of Elijah and Lucy Smith Brainerd, married Sarah Arnold, daughter of Ambrose and Sarah Arnold, and had five children; Alanson P., Elijah, Parthena, Ezra, and Lois Brainerd.

Alanson P. Brainerd lived many years on the homestead of his father and grandfather, in Haddam, and then moved to Durham. His first wife was Elizabeth Clark, daughter of Ebenezer Clark, whom he married November 26, 1828, and who died November 4, 1843, aged thirty-eight. His second wife was Diana Platts, who died September 24, 1846, aged thirty-one. His third wife was a Miss Cook.

Elijah Brainerd died September 19, 1833, in his twenty-second year.

Parthena Brainerd was married to Diodate Smith, son of William and Hannah Smith, August 4, 1838, and had several children, the eldest of which, was Catharine Smith.\*

Ezra Brainerd died in Durham.

Lois Brainerd second, died either September 16, or October 7, 1848, aged twenty-five.

Of Joshua Brainerd nothing more can be stated.

Benjamin Brainerd, who was connected in some way, which I have been unable to trace, with the families on the last twenty-seven pages, married Mary Dickinson, February 16, 1738. She died March 17, 1745, and he married a woman whose given name was also Mary, on the 19th of the succeeding December. She was born January 9, 1726. There were three children by the first marriage and eight by the second, viz.:

Asahel	Brainerd, born	June 20, 1740.
Martha	"	" June 22, 1741.
Anna	"	" Oct. 5, 1743, died soon.
Benjamin	"	" Jan. 6, 1747-8.
Mary	"	" Feb. 21, 1750.
Reuben	"	" Jan. 23, 1752.
Anna second	"	" Oct. 23, 1754.
Susannah	"	" Oct. 15, 1757.
Nathaniel	"	" April 16, 1761.
Isaac	"	" Oct. 22, 1763.
Robert	"	" Sept. 29, 1765.

\* I have a minute also of a Parthena Brainerd, who married a Mr. Southmayd, of Durham, where she died about the 26th of September, 1848, aged thirty-five.



The father died June 25, 1782, and his second wife October 5, 1778, in her fifty-third year.

Of this large family no information further has been obtained, excepting what relates to Isaac, the tenth child.

Isaac Brainerd married Alice, daughter of Elijah and Lucy Smith Brainerd, June 25, 1784, and had ten sons and one daughter:

Benjamin Brainerd,	born	Mar. 18,	1785.
Elijah	"	Oct. 28,	1787.
Orren	"	Feb. 21,	1789.
Loudon	"	Jan. 19,	1791.
Alanson	"	June 22,	1793.
Philander	"	_____	
Martin	"	June 29,	1796.
Alfred	"	Oct. 28,	1798.
Austin	"	July 8,	1800.
Almond	"	Oct. 23,	1802.
Clarissa	"	Oct. —,	1804, died Mar. 7, 1811.

Benjamin Brainerd is a lawyer, living in Unionville, Ohio. He married Sophia Kendall, September 10, 1812, and has a number of children.

Elijah Brainerd is a farmer, living in Randolph. He married Mary Higgins, March 10, 1816, and has the following children:

George W. Brainerd,	born	Dec. 20,	1816.
Clarissa M.	"	Mar. 20,	1819.
Laura L.	"	Oct. 10,	1822.
Norman E.	"	Feb. 27,	1827.

George W. Brainerd married Clara Sherwood, of Unionville, Ohio. They live in Huron, in that State, where he is a teacher of youth. They have one child, whose name is Medad Brainerd.



Clarissa M. Brainerd died December 2, 1840.

Laura L. Brainerd was married in May, 1850, to John Steele. They live in Salem, where he is concerned in a furnace. They have no children.

Norman E. Brainerd married Mary Ayres, of Bristolville, Ohio. He is a farmer, living in Randolph.

Orren Brainerd married December 20, 1841, but has no children. He is a farmer, living in Beloit, Wisconsin.

Loudon Brainerd married a daughter of William Hunt, February 21, 1821, a native of Hillsdale, but living at the time of the marriage in Westmoreland. They have had six children:

Clarissa Brainerd,	born	Dec.	1,	1821.
Loudon	"	"	Dec.	6, 1823.
Milton	"	"	Aug.	28, 1827.
A son	"	"	Dec.	22, 1830, died Sept. 10, 1831.
Elizabeth	"	"	Jan.	25, 1835.
Julia	"	"	May	6, 1839.

Clarissa Brainerd was married to Hiram Brown, in 1841.

Alanson Brainerd is a farmer in Bristolville, Ohio. He is married, and has two children, Francis and Alice Brainerd.

Philander Brainerd is a farmer, and unmarried.

Martin Brainerd was graduated at Dartmouth College in 1817. Is a lawyer, living in Beloit; is married, and has children.

Alfred Brainerd is a farmer in Randolph. He married Caroline Dickinson, February 21, 1825, and has five children:

Caroline Brainerd,	born	Nov. 19,	1826.
Harriet	“	“	Dec. 11, 1827.
Daniel	“	“	July 7, 1832.
Charles	“	“	June 8, 1834.
Angeline	“	“	Feb. 7, 1842.

Caroline Brainerd was married to Jeremiah L. Hannaford, a Methodist preacher, some time since stationed at Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Of Austin Brainerd I have no information.

Almond Brainerd is a lawyer in Greenfield, Massachusetts. He is married, and has a number of children.

Robert Brainerd, youngest son of Benjamin Brainerd, of Haddam Neck, born September 29, 1765; married twice, first, Abigail Spencer, daughter of Elizur Spencer, of Haddam, May 24, 1787. She was born February 22, 1763. They had eight children:

Halsey	Brainerd,	born	Dec. 22,	1788.
Austin	“	“	Jan. 25,	1791.
Sophia	“	“	Jan. 19,	1793.
Abigail	“	“	April 17,	1795.
Robert	“	“	April 16,	1797.
Fanny Susan	“	“	Oct. 3,	1799.
Elizur Spencer	“	“	April 9,	1802.
Benjamin Chapin	“	“	Aug. 24,	1804.

The family lived some years on the Neck, and then removed to South Hadley, where Mrs. Brainerd died on her birthday, February 22, 1815. Mr. Brainerd then married Olive Brainerd, daughter of Dea. Ezra and Jerusha (Smith) Brainerd, July 5, 1818. Mr. Brainerd died June 18, 1831, aged sixty-six; and his second wife November 16, 1844, in her eighty-first year.

Mr. Brainerd and both his wives were professors of religion.

Halsey Brainerd married Lucy Judd, daughter of Dea. Levi Judd, of South Hadley, December 24, 1810. She was born August 21, 1791. They lived in South Hadley, where he was a farmer. Both belonged to the church. Their children were:

Armenia	Brainerd, born May 20, 1811.
Susan C.	“ “ Feb. 28, 1813, died Mar. 20, 1818.
Lucy Ann	“ “ Mar. 4, 1815.
Robert Austin	“ “ Feb. 21, 1817.
Abigail S.	“ “ Nov. 18, 1818.
John Wesley	“ “ Jan. 2, 1821.
Halsey Milton	“ “ Mar. 28, 1823.

The mother died October 16, 1825; and the father died at Geneva, New York, September 17, 1827.

The daughters of Halsey and Lucy (Judd) Brainerd, are all married, and live in South Hadley, with the exception of one, who lives in Minnesota.

Robert A. Brainerd married Eliza Camp, November 28, 1838, and had by her one child, Eliza Ann Brainerd, born July 21, 1840. The mother died ten days after, and the child September 7, aged seven weeks. Mr. Brainerd married Sophronia Beckwith, March 19, 1844. She was born Charlestown, N. H., July 18, 1820, and by her he had one child, Eliza Alice Brainerd, born June 3, 1845. The mother died November 14, 1848. He married as a third wife, Mary Allen, from some part of Vermont, February 21, 1849.

She was born November 21, 1824, and by her he has two children: Halsey Austin Brainerd, born July 31, 1850; and Mary Wallace Brainerd, born March 11, 1853. He resides at South Hadley, and is a teamster.

John Wesley Brainerd married Hannah Church, and has two children. They live in Springfield, where he is a currier by trade.

Austin Brainerd, the second son of Robert and Abigail (Spencer) Brainerd, married Emma Smith, daughter of Darius Smith, of South Hadley, October 13, 1824. They live at South Hadley; are both professors of religion, and have the following children:

Mary C. Brainerd,	born	Mar. 29,	1827,	a professor of religion.
Sylvester S.	"	"	Feb. 6,	1829.
Austin	"	"	Jan. 17,	1831.
David	"	"	Aug. 17,	1833, died Sept. 24, 1837.

Sophia Brainerd, the third child of R. and A. S. Brainerd, was married to Rodolphus Sheldon, of South Hampton, where they reside.

Abigail Brainerd, the fourth child of the above, was married to William Kellogg, of South Hadley, where both died.

Robert Brainerd, jun., married Mercy Snow, daughter of Josiah Snow, of South Hadley, where they live, April 2, 1828. His business is farming. They have five children:

Olive Brainerd,	born	Jan. 19,	1829.
Mary A.	"	"	July 22, 1831.
Wells	"	"	June 19, 1833.
William	"	"	Oct. 7, 1835, died Sept. 21, 1836.
Julia	"	"	Aug. 6, 1837.



The parents and the two eldest children are professors of religion.

Olive Brainerd was married to Edward Lester, December 16, 1852. They live at South Hadley.

Mary A. Brainerd was married to Edward Judd, January 12, 1853, and they live at the same place.

Fanny Susan Brainerd, the fifth child of Robert and Abigail (Spencer) Brainerd was married to Stillman Moody. They lived and died at South Hadley.

Eliza Spencer Brainerd was married to Lynde Fuller, a lumber merchant, at Troy, New York, son of Dea. Jonah Fuller, of that place, January 28, 1830. Their children are:

Holley Brainerd Fuller, born April 27, 1831.

Helen " " Aug. 22, 1835, died Jan. 31, 1838.

Mary Elizabeth " " Mar. 23, 1840.

Charlotte Hamilton " " Feb. 5, 1844.

The parents are both professors of religion.

Holley B. Fuller died November 2, 1850, in his twentieth year.

Prosper Brainerd, the third son of Dea. Elijah and Phebe (Bailey) Brainerd, married Mary Bailey, daughter of Benjamin Bailey, (who lived first, near the "Great Rock," in Haddam and then near the Oakum Factory,) November 5, 1767. He died December 29, 1821, aged eighty-five; and she died October 19, 1824, aged eighty-one. Their children were:

Asenath Brainerd, born Aug. 12, 1768.

Jesse " " Oct. 5, 1769.

Asa " " Feb. 25, 1771.



Sylvester Brainerd,	born	Sept. 8,	1772,	died	Dec. 6,	1774.
Heli	"	"	Sept. 7,	1774	or '5.	
Mary	"	"	Dec. 25,	1776.		
Dolly	"	"	Oct. 6,	1778.		
Sabra	"	"	Mar. 17,	1781.		
Sylvester 2d	"	"	Aug. 29,	1783.		
Davis	"	"	Sept. —,	1787.		

Asenath Brainerd was married to Captain Curtis Smith, son of Captain John Smith, in January, 1788, and had a number of children. The family moved to Lee, Massachusetts, and after a few years to the State of New York.

Jesse Brainerd married Jerusha Burr, daughter of Samuel Burr. They moved to Durham, New York, and had a number of children.

Asa Brainerd learned the trade of a blacksmith under his uncle, Timothy Brainerd, in Palmer, Massachusetts, where he lived several years, and where he married Elizabeth Welsh, probably about 1790 or '91. By her he had four or five children, and after her death he married a Widow Barnes, of Middletown, by whom he had one child. The children were: Alvin, born August 15, 1792; James, Diana, Asa, and Elizabeth, the last two of which died in Palmer.\*

The father died in Haddam, January 25, 1844, aged seventy-three.

Alvin Brainerd married Betsey Pelton, October

\* If there were five children by the first marriage, it is believed that the name of the other child was Selden Bailey Brainerd, and that he died September 26, 1831, as I have a minute of a child of that name born at that time, and placed in such connections as to suggest that relationship, though it does not affirm it.

16, 1814. She was born October 16, 1790, and died May 12, 1834; and Mr. Brainerd married Clarissa Thomas, daughter of Ebenezer Thomas, September 14, 1834. She was born February 14, 1793. His children, all by the first marriage, are :

Caroline	Brainerd,	born	May 24, 1815.
Fanny Maria	"	"	Mar. 3, 1819.
Betsey Ann	"	"	May 22, 1822.
Cornelia	"	"	Jan. 8, 1825.
Ursula	"	"	Mar. 15, 1827.
Asa Atwood	"	"	Mar. 14, 1829.
Sarah Elizabeth	"	"	—————, died July 12, 1834.
Sarah Sophia	"	"	Aug. 22, 1832.

Caroline Brainerd was married to William Ives, of Durham, July 29, 1840, and had, years since, a child named Elizabeth Maria Ives.

Fanny Maria Brainerd was married to Joseph A. Paddock, of Middletown, July 10, 1844, and has had two children, one of which is dead.

Betsey Ann Brainerd was married to James W. Gladwin, of Brooklyn, L. I., son of Willard Gladwin deceased, June 22, 1850 or '51. The latter is believed to be the true date.

Cornelia Brainerd was married to Elihu C. Rogers, of East Haddam, October 10, 1844. They have no children.

Ursula Brainerd died single, May 3, 1845.

Sarah Sophia Brainerd died July 12, 1834.

Asa Atwood Brainerd is married, and lives in New Haven.

James Brainerd married Lydia Knowles, daughter of Walker and Lydia Brainerd Knowles, October 31, 1816, and has children.

Diana Brainerd was married to Gideon Gladwin, son of Silas Gladwin, November 26, 1823.

Heli Brainerd has never married, and is now living in Haddam.

Mary Brainerd was married to Jesse Coe, of Durham. They moved to Fulton, New York, where he died.

Dolly Brainerd was married to David Bonfoey, son of Benanuel Bonfoey, June 1, 1806.

Sabra Brainerd was married, first, to Russell Bailey, who died on a voyage to the West Indies, June 15, 1805, aged twenty-six; and then to Willard Gladwin, who died June 21, 1837, aged fifty-four. By the first marriage she had one child, and by the second four: Phileta Bailey, Russell Gladwin, who is dead; Amelia, who died young; Sally Maria, and Amelia second.

Widow Sabra Gladwin died February 29, 1844, aged sixty-three.

Phileta Bailey was married to George Arnold, son of Joseph Arnold, and had one child, Sabra Ann Arnold, who died May 4, 1844, in her twentieth year. The father died early, and the mother July 3, 1844, aged thirty-nine.

Sarah, alias Sally Maria Gladwin, was married to Gilbert Ward, of Middletown; and Amelia Gladwin second, was married to Asa Bailey, of Haddam, as a second wife.

Sylvester Brainerd second, married Anna Smith, daughter of Israel Smith, who was born July 12, 1789, and died October 5, 1815. He married as a second wife, Esther Thomas, daughter of Ebenezer Thomas, March 1, 1818. She was born February 10, 1785. There were three children by the first marriage, and one by the second:

Mary Ann Brainerd,	born	April 11,	1810.
Davis	"	Nov. 11,	1812, died Aug. 29, 1816.
Anna	"	Oct. 9,	1815, " Sept. 8, 1816.
Sylvester Davis	"	June 13,	1823.

Mary Ann Brainerd was married to Huntington Southmayd, of Durham.

Sylvester Davis Brainerd married Mary Eleanor Prior, daughter of Daniel Prior, of Middletown, August 19, 1842. They have lost two children: Ellen Ursula Brainerd, born June 9, 1843, who died October 7, 1847; and Ellen Jane Brainerd, born September 20, 1848, who died October 18, 1849.

Davis Brainerd, the youngest child of Prosper Brainerd, died single, at St. Bartholomew's, in the West Indies, of yellow fever, in the twenty-second year of his age.

Mary Brainerd was married to a Mr. Arnold.

Zechariah Brainerd, the fifth child of Dea. Elijah and Phebe (Bailey) Brainerd, married Mehetabel Clark, daughter of Hezekiah Clark, November 29, 1764. Children:

Daniel Brainerd,	born	Nov. 12,	1765.
Esther	"	Nov. 1,	1767.



James Brainerd,	born	Aug. 16,	1769.
David	"	Aug. 1,	1771.
Zechariah	"	Aug. 15,	1773.
Timothy	"	Jan. 11,	1776.
Enos	"	Jan. 9,	1778.
Seth	"	April 2,	1780.
Joseph	"	Oct. 7,	1782.
Arnold	"	Nov. 7,	1784.
Polly	"	April 25,	1787.

The mother of these children died July 14, 1834; the father died December 26, 1826, aged eighty-five.

Daniel Brainerd served seven years with his uncle Timothy, in Palmer, as an apprentice to the blacksmith's trade. He was drowned in Connecticut River, against Haddam, August 13, 1787.

Of Esther, James, David, and Zechariah Brainerd, jun., no further facts have been collected.

Timothy Brainerd, like his brother Daniel, was for the same period an apprentice to his uncle Timothy. He settled in Brimfield, married, and had two children: Seth Brainerd, born in December, 1804; and Rufus Clark Brainerd.

Mrs. Brainerd died, and soon after her death, Mr. Brainerd went to the West, and while digging in a canal, the bank fell and buried him in the sand so that he was suffocated and died. His sons, Seth and Rufus C. Brainerd were put out in Palmer.

Seth Brainerd married Vashti Ellinwood, and settled, it is said, in Shelburne, New York.

Rufus C. Brainerd, after spending some years in Palmer, went to the residence of his brother.



Zechariah Brainerd, the fifth child of Dea. Elijah and Phebe Bailey Brainerd, lived on the southern road from Higganum to Candlewood Hill, a little northwest from the Great Rock, and had a large family, several of whom, if my recollection serves me, did not marry. One of the sons by the name of Seth, married a Miss Hubbard, daughter of the elder Captain Samuel Hubbard.

This Seth Hubbard Brainerd had a son, Hezekiah Brainerd. The father died October 28, 1843, aged sixty-four.

Hezekiah Brainerd married, and had, I believe, a child named Enos, who died from a scald, April 1, 1844, aged a year and six months.

Seth Hubbard Brainerd lived in one apartment of the house which his father built, and a sister of his in the other.

Susanna Brainerd, the sixth child of Dea. Elijah Brainerd, was married to a Mr. Cone, of Moromos.

Mindwell Brainerd, the eighth child of Dea. Elijah Brainerd, sister of Susanna, was married to Captain Arnold Hazelton. They lived in the Town district, and kept a public house many years. He commanded a company of cavalry, and was distinguished for his ready wit. In the latter part of his life he became infirm and delirious, but was not violent. He died many years since; his wife survived him, but has been dead so long that she is forgotten by most of the present inhabitants.

Of Martha Brainerd, the ninth child of Dea. Elijah Brainerd, I have no information.

Timothy Brainerd, the youngest child of Dea. Elijah Brainerd, second of the name of Timothy in the family, after his father's death, was placed under the care of a blacksmith in East Windsor, to learn his trade. His master died within two or three years. He then lived some time with a blacksmith by the name of Colt, in Lyme. The Revolutionary war coming on soon after he became of age, he served his country more than two years in that memorable struggle, for which, many years after, he received a pension. He settled in the east part of Palmer, on the north side of the Chickopee River, where, in connection with blacksmithing, he was engaged many years, and without the aid of machinery, in the manufacture of scythes. He married Sarah Wilson, a native of Shelburne, March 27, 1783, and by her had eleven children :

Margaret Brainerd,	born	Mar. 20,	1784.
Phebe	"	Jan. 6,	1786, died Jan. 19, 1786.
Sarah	"	Aug. 26,	1787.
Phebe 2d	"	July 25,	1789.
Lucy	"	Jan. 31,	1792, died Oct. 31, 1797.
Timothy	"	May 13,	1794.
Amy	"	June 1,	1796.
Mary	"	June 16,	1798, died Aug. 8, 1818.
Mindwell	"	Aug. 9,	1800, " May 1, 1835.
Betsey	"	July 8,	1803.
Wilson	"	Feb. 22,	1806.

The father of these children died September 29,

1834, aged eighty; and his widow March 19, 1839, in her seventy-fifth year, being born October 19, 1765.

Margaret Brainerd was married to Dea. Benjamin Converse, of Palmer, October 15, 1801. Children:

Adelphia	Converse, born Feb. 14, 1803, died Mar. 10, 1803.
Harriet	" " Nov. 29, 1804.
Hiram	" " Mar. 24, 1807.
Mary Leavins	" " Mar. 10, 1810.
Adaline	" " July 24, 1814.
William Brainerd	" " Feb. 5, 1819.

Harriet Converse became the wife of John Holbrook, had two or three children, and died September 15, 1833.

Sarah Cooley was married to Jonathan Cooley, of Palmer, May 15, 1817. He was born November 5, 1783, and is a farmer. They have five children:

Mary Brainerd Cooley, born	May 15, 1819.
Maria	" " Nov. 5, 1821, died Sept. 6, 1823.
Harriet	" " April 7, 1824, " Oct. 6, 1827.
A female child not named	" —————, which died soon.
Harriet Maria	" " Jan. 27, 1829.

Phebe Brainerd second lives with her brother, Wilson Brainerd, in Palmer. She has never been married.

Timothy Brainerd lives in Enfield, Massachusetts, where he is a deacon in the Congregational Church. He married Sophronia Crosby, of Enfield, December 7, 1819. They have had one son, John Crosby Brainerd, born October 23, 1820. This son married Mary Lowell, of Ware, and has one child, a daughter, Ella Maria Brainerd, born January 24, 1850.

Amy Brainerd, like her sister Phebe, lives with her brother, Deacon Wilson Brainerd, and is single.

Betsey Brainerd was married to N. P. Barton, of Munson, in 1837. They had one child:

Sarah Elizabeth, born April 5, 1841, died May 31, 1846.

Wilson Brainerd is a deacon in the church at Palmer Depôt. He married Caroline Newton Wilson, of Colerain, February 16, 1842. She was born September 26, 1820. They have had five sons:

John Wilson Brainerd,	born Feb. 8, 1843,	died Jan. 20, 1849.
Charles Timothy “	“ May 2, 1844.	
Frank Henry “	“ Dec. 2, 1847,	died July 7, 1851.
John Wilson 2d “	“ Aug. 4, 1850.	
William Henry “	“ Oct. 22, 1852.	

Timothy Brainerd and wife were long professors of religion, and all the children who lived to adult years became professors, with the exception of Mary, who was believed to have experienced the grace of God upon her death-bed. She was a young woman greatly beloved, and her death produced a deep sensation.

Jabez Brainerd, the seventh child of Elijah and Mary (Bushnell) Brainerd, married Hannah Clark, October 15, 1739, and had eight children:

Abigail Brainerd,	born June 13, 1741.
Jabez “	“ Feb. 3, 1743.
Hannah “	“ Nov. 26, 1744.
Anne “	“ April 16, 1747.
John “	“ July 23, 1749, died April 12, 1754.
Daniel “	“ Jan. 9, 1752.
John 2d “	“ Aug. 2, 1754.
Caleb “	“ baptized April —, 1757.



The date of Jabez Brainerd's death I cannot find. His widow, Hannah Brainerd, died October 5, 1806, aged ninety-three.

Abigail Brainerd was married to Joseph Dart, son of Ebenezer and Ruth (Loomis) Dart, of Middle Haddam, July 1, 1762. Their children were: Cyrus Dart, born June 11, 1764; Abigail Dart, born December 6, 1765; and several others, it is believed, whose names and births I cannot give.

Jabez Brainerd, jun., was married to Deborah Brainerd, daughter of Gideon and Sarah Selden Brainerd. They settled on Farm Hill, in Middletown, and had six children:

Deborah Brainerd,	born	Mar.	6,	1765.
Zeruiah	"	"	Oct.	5, 1767.
Jabez	"	"	April 11,	1769.
Sarah	"	"	Feb. 13,	1771.
Ann	"	"	May 5,	1764.
Elijah	"	"	July 3,	1776.

Jabez Brainerd died at White Plains, September 27, 1776; and his widow was married to Captain Abner Smith, of Cromwell.

Phinehas Brainerd, youngest son of Elijah Brainerd by his second wife, Margaret Brainerd, married Jerusha Towner, November 9, 1741. He lived in Higganum, where Dr. William Henry Tremaine now lives, and had the following children:

Jerusha Brainerd,	born	Sept.	9,	1742.
Phinehas	"	"	Mar. 20,	1744, died eleven days old.
Elizabeth	"	"	Mar. 22,	1745.

Phineas Brainerd,	born	Jan. 2,	1747.
Esther	"	"	Mar. 9, 1749.
Henry	"	"	Mar. 1, 1751.
Heman	"	"	———, 1754.
Jehu	"	"	Nov. 5, 1757.

The mother died April 18, 1797; the father March 8, 1803, in his eighty-third year.

Jerusha Brainerd was married to Ezra Shaler, and had a number of children.

Elizabeth Brainerd was the first wife of Joshua Brooks, and had several children: Joshua Brooks, jun., Hannah, George, &c.

Phineas Brainerd second, married Elizabeth Brooks, daughter of Joseph Brooks, Esq., about 1767. They lived in the Burr District, near the line of Killingworth, and had nine children; James Brainerd, Elizabeth, Jerusha, Esther, and Phineas, baptized in June, 1779; Huldah, baptized in July, 1781; Joseph in 1784; Mary, and Linus.

James Brainerd married, and had a number of children. He died November 3, 1807, aged thirty-nine.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married to Willard Stevens, of Killingworth, son of Hubbel Stevens, June 15, 1786.

Jerusha Brainerd was married to Israel Burr, son of Samuel Burr. They lived in Killingworth.

Esther Brainerd was married, first, to Aaron Smith, jun., and after his death, she was married as a second wife, to Nathan Whitmore.

Phinehas Brainerd second, was married to Dorothy Thomas, daughter of Roger Thomas, and had five children; Philinda, Asa, Sarah Ann, Diodate, and Elizabeth Brainerd. The father died May 9, 1822.

Philinda Brainerd was married to Davis Kelsey, and died in a few years.

Asa Brainerd married Almira Linn, of Durham, December 9, 1828.

Sarah Ann Brainerd was married to Milton Brooks, February 21, 1837.

Huldah Brainerd was married to Captain Abraham Hubbard, son of Samuel Hubbard.

Joseph Brainerd was married to Margaret Stephenson, of Suffield, and had several children.

Margaret S. Brainerd died March 5, 1737, aged forty-eight.

Mary Brainerd was married to Robert Hurd, of East Haddam.

Of Linus Brainerd, I have no further knowledge.

Diodate Brainerd was married to Widow Mary A. Bates, April 21, 1846.

Mary Elizabeth Brainerd was married to Philester Brainerd. They probably lived for a time in Portsmouth, Virginia; and he probably died there, as his widow came back from that place, and was married to Benjamin H. Brainerd, January 30, 1850. There were at least three children by the first marriage, two sons, and one daughter named Anna.

Henry Brainerd, the sixth child of Phinehas and

Jerusha Towner Brainerd, was married to a woman whose given name was Huldah. They lived for a time in Haddam, where they had a child; George Brainerd, baptized in February, 1776. It is understood that they afterward moved to Tolland.

Heman Brainerd, brother of Henry, remembered as Captain Heman Brainerd, married first, Deborah Hopson, daughter of Dea. John Hopson, of North Madison, February 4, 1778, by whom he had one child. The mother died on the 9th of May, 1779, in her twentieth year; and he married as a second wife, October 31, 1784, Widow Ruth (Stocking) Brainerd, relict of Lieutenant Shubael Brainerd, of Middle Haddam, a widow with three children, Shubael Rosemond, William, and Henry Brainerd. See the genealogy of Shubael Brainerd. By this wife Captain Brainerd had four children. His children were:

Deborah Hopson Brainerd,	born	Jan. 5,	1779.
A son not named	"	"	Feb. 17, 1786, died the same day.
Sally	"	"	June 20, 1787.
Emily	"	"	Sept. 27, 1789.
Heman	"	"	Dec. 25, 1791.
Ruth	"	"	Nov. 5, 1795.

The first of these children was baptized in October, 1779, when the father united with the church. The baptisms of the other children are not recorded.

Deborah H. Brainerd was brought up by relatives in North Madison. She was married first, to Asa Wilcox, of that part of Killingworth which is now the town of Clinton; and secondly, to Benjamin Hurd,



Esq., of the same place. She was left a widow a second time, and died December 23, 1852.

Sally Brainerd was married as a second wife to Joseph P. Ackley, of East Haddam, September 24, 1812. They lived a while in East Haddam, and then moved to Weston, New York. He was killed at the raising of the famous Carthage bridge, by the falling of the timber called the derrick. He endeavored to avoid its fall by running, but fell himself, and the timber fell upon his head and sunk it some inches in the ground, leaving its form there, where it remained some weeks afterward. They had one child, Joseph Ackley, who died a young man. The widow lived in Auburn in the autumn of 1818.

Emily Brainerd was married to Lemuel White, of Hebron, who had been some time a school teacher in Haddam, June 4, 1808. They moved to Western New York, where they resided many years. They have had a number of children, and three of their sons are said to have been collegiately educated.

Heman Brainerd, jun., married Maria Hubbard, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Boardman) Hubbard, January 12, 1815. They had two sons:

Wellington White Brainerd, born Oct. 10, 1815.

Waldemar Wiltshire " " July 6, 1822.

The father followed the coasting business, and had command of a vessel. He died January 27, 1824, and his widow is now the second wife of Matthew Hubbard, ship builder, at East Haddam Landing.

Ruth Brainerd lived some time with her sister White. She became the wife of Oliver Bixby.

Captain Thomas Brainerd died July 8, 1803, in his forty-ninth year; and his widow removed from Haddam years afterward, and lived with her last-mentioned daughter.

Jehu Brainerd, the youngest child of Phinehas, and brother of Captain Heman Brainerd, was graduated at Yale College in 1783, and was from as early as 1796 on to 1804, or '5, Sheriff of New Haven County. He married, but left no children. The following inscriptions are on the monuments of himself and wife, in the principal cemetery in New Haven, second tier, No. 36.

“Jehu Brainerd, Esq., died November 28, 1815, aged fifty-six.”

“Abigail, the wife of Jehu Brainerd, died March 5, 1804, aged forty-one.”

Hannah Brainerd was married to Oliver Wells, Esq., May 2, 1765, and had nine children; James Wells and James Wells second, both of whom died in infancy; Bathsheba, Acenath, Miriam, Anna, Hannah, Oliver Wells, who died about two years old; and another daughter whose name I cannot give.

Bathsheba Wells became the wife of Richard Knowles. She died, leaving one child, Wells Knowles.

Acenath Wells was married to Captain Abraham Hubbard, and had a large family. She has been dead many years.

Miriam Wells was the wife of Ruel Knowles. He died in April, 1804, and some time after his death his widow became the wife of Daniel Knowles.

Anna Wells was the wife of Russell Shaler, and had several children.

Hannah Wells became the wife of Elias Bates.

The daughter, whose name I cannot give, was the wife of Joseph Bates.

The father of these children was a Justice of the peace, as some of his relatives had been before him. He died nearly forty years since, and though his wife survived him, she has long been in her grave.

With them the family name of Wells, which had been very respectable from the settlement of the town, ceased in Haddam.

Anna Brainerd was married to Dea. David Smith, of Middle Haddam, February 21, 1776. Dea. Smith died November 25, 1795, aged fifty-two.

Daniel Brainerd married Susannah Clark, daughter of John Clark. She died in July, 1799, and he married Abigail Fowler, daughter of Solomon Fowler, of Northford, in April, 1801.

Mr. Brainerd became the Colonel of a regiment. He was also a Justice of the peace, and represented the Town of Haddam in several sessions of the Legislature of the State. He died December 2, 1809; and his widow was married as a second wife to Dea. Daniel Parmalee, of Durham. By his first wife Colonel Brainerd had five children :

Daniel Brainerd,	born	Nov. 16,	1773.
Caleb	“	“	Sept. 24, 1775.
Betsey	“	“	Feb. 2, 1778.
Susannah	“	“	Oct. 17, 1780.
Zeruiah	“	“	Dec. 11, 1786.

Daniel Brainerd, jun., married Fanny Smith, daughter of Captain Hezekiah Smith, November 3, 1800. Mrs. Brainerd died September 18, 1835, aged fifty-six. Mr. Brainerd has had the command of the militia company in Higganum. The following are the names of his children:

Eliza Smith Brainerd,	born	Aug. 6,	1801.
Owen	“	“	Mar. 9, 1804.
Fanny	“	“	June 18, 1806.
Daniel	“	“	Jan. 30, 1809.
Emma	“	“	April 21, 1811.
Hezekiah Smith	“	“	Oct. 5, 1813, died Oct. 20, 1820.
Nancy	“	“	Feb. 26, 1817.
Margaret	“	“	June 9, 1819, died Nov. 19, 1820.
Eliza Smith 2d	“	“	Dec. 6, 1820.

Eliza Smith Brainerd, the first-born of these children, experienced religion, and joined the first Congregational Church in Haddam, when there was no special attention to religion in the town, September 7, 1817. She died November 30, 1820; and so exemplary had been her life that the Rev. Mr. Marsh, who was pastor of the church at the time of her death, wrote an account of her character, which was published.

Owen Brainerd died May 5, 1805.

Fanny Brainerd died December 3, 1846.

Daniel Brainerd died at the South, June 5, 1836.



Emma Brainerd was married first, to Gilbert Hubbard, son of Eli Hubbard, April 2, 1838. He settled in Pennsylvania, where he soon died. His widow was married to Joseph Brooks Hubbard, son of Job and Hannah Brooks Hubbard. She died November 28, 1849, after a long and very distressing sickness, which she bore with submission to the divine will. She had children by both marriages.

Nancy Brainerd was married as a second wife to George Washington Guy, a merchant in Middletown, November 20, 1844, and has one child, James Knox Guy, born March 3, 1849.

Eliza Smith Brainerd, second of the name, lives at home with her father.

Caleb Brainerd, brother of Daniel, married, and had one son, Caleb, and several daughters.

Caleb Brainerd, jun., married twice. His first wife died April 28, 1843, aged nineteen. His second wife was Sarah Brooks, who is still living. There was one child by each marriage. He has been dead several years.

Betsey Brainerd was married to John Arnold, son of Samuel Arnold, of Haddam. They lived many years in Suffield, where he was engaged in merchandise. They had a number of children.

Susannah Brainerd was married to Captain Jared Arnold, September 9, 1804, and had four children; Jared, Joseph, Daniel Brainerd, who died in infancy; and Owen Arnold.

Captain Arnold had followed the sea from his youth, and for a very considerable period commanded a vessel. In the latter part of his seafaring life he sailed between New York and Mobile, and Liverpool. After giving up this employment he spent a great part of his time in the cultivation of his garden and lands. He was a well informed and very respectable man. He has been dead for some years, and his widow still occupies the house where they reared their family.

Jared Arnold married Caroline Tyrrell, at Indianapolis, Indiana, July 5, 1853, and has one child, named Susan, born in June, 1854. He lives in Holborn, near Nashville, and is engaged in the lumbering business.

Joseph Arnold married Mary Louisa Phelps, daughter of Hon. Noah Phelps, of Middletown, May 19, 1841. They have had four children :

George Phelps Arnold,	born	Mar. 1,	1842,	died	Aug. 9,	1845.
Susan Brainerd	“	“	Oct. 21,	1843.		
Catharine St. John	“	“	Dec. 12,	1846.		
George Sheldon	“	“	Sept. 30,	1850.		

My impression is that he was cashier of the Bank in Meriden for a considerable time, where his wife died February 21, 1851. He is now cashier of the Manufacturers' Bank, in Birmingham.

Brainerd Arnold, the third child of Captain Arnold, died May 2, 1813, aged twenty-six days.

Owen Brainerd Arnold was graduated at Yale

College in 1837, and is now Cashier of the Bank of New England, at East Haddam.

John Brainerd, the second son of Jabez and Hannah (Clark) Brainerd, was in the service of his country for a time in the Revolutionary war, though I believe as a militia man only, and not in the regular army. My impression is that he was at the White Plains. After the war he became captain of the military company of Higganum. He was a Justice of the peace in the town, and I believe a representative in one or two instances to the State Legislature. He married Hannah Hubbard, daughter of Thomas and Hannah Hubbard, December 5, 1776, and had by her eleven children; Clarissa Brainerd, Huldah, and Hannah, the third, born September 23, 1781; John, Dolly, Anne, Prudence, born in October, 1788; Frances, born March 23, 1791; Jabez, Ursula, and Hezekiah, the last born January 15, 1795.

The mother of these children died in October, 1795, in her fortieth year, and Captain Brainerd married afterward Jane Spencer, who survived him.

She was married as a second wife to James K. Child, May 7, 1822, and died March 2, 1826, aged fifty-eight.

Clarissa Brainerd, the oldest child of Captain John Brainerd, became the wife of Major Huntington May, youngest son of Rev. Eleazer May. The family moved in the autumn of 1803, to Putney, Vermont, where the family lived many years. In his old age, he moved to Lee, Massachusetts, where two of his sons were set-

tled as manufacturers; and where he and his wife both died. They were professors of religion.

Huldah Brainerd was married to Simon Smith, son of William and Esther Brainerd Smith, and had seven children:

Huldah	Smith, born Oct. —, 1800.
Oliver Phelps	“ “ Sept. 25, 1802.
Ursula	“ “ Dec. —, 1804,
John Brainerd	“ “ Aug. —, 1806.
Lavinia	“ “ Dec. 31, 1808.
Emily	“ “ Aug. —, 1813.
Elizabeth	“ “ May 20, 1816.

Simon Smith died in 1817, and his widow in 1844.

Huldah Smith, the first born of these children, was married to Ezekiel Clark, who has for years been clerk of the Town of Haddam, and had a son. The mother died, and Mr. Clark married Mary Ann Child.

Oliver Phelps Smith has long been a merchant in Haddam. He married Phebe Ann Child, daughter of Gardner Child, of Middle Haddam Landing, and has had five children; Huldah, Oliver Phelps, John Brainerd, Emily, and Betsey Smith.

Ursula Smith was married to Jonathan Arnold, and had one child, a daughter. The mother and daughter are both dead. Mr. Arnold is a merchant.

John Brainerd Smith was a clerk in the store of A. T. Stewart, New York. He is dead.

Lavinia Smith was married to Gideon Brainerd, jun., a merchant in Haddam. She died in a few years, and he married her sister Elizabeth, and had two children. The father and children are dead.



Emily Smith, the youngest child of Simon Smith, is single.

Hannah Brainerd was married as a second wife to John Butler,\* of Durham, February 10, 1812. They lived several years in Durham and in Haddam; afterwards they lived in Hartford, where he died December 20, 1849, aged seventy-seven. They had three children:

Worthington Chauncey Butler,	born	Jan. 23,	1813.
Maria Lyman	"	"	Jan. 15, 1815.
Mary Elizabeth	"	"	Dec. 18, 1817.

Worthington C. Butler is a merchant in Savannah, Georgia, where he married Elizabeth Miller, a native of New Jersey, and has three children:

Robert Butler,	born	in	1845.
Henry	"	"	in 1847.
Florida	"	"	in 1849.

Maria L. Butler was married to William Henry Allen, of Hartford, druggist, June 11, 1833, and has had three children:

William Gideon Allen,	born	Mar. 25,	1835,	died	Mar. 5,	1841.
Maria Brainerd	"	"	June 26,	1839.		
William Henry	"	"	Sept. 11,	1846.		

Mary Elizabeth Butler was married to Ebenezer Berkley Peek, in 1837. They live in New Orleans, where he is a cotton dealer. They have had four children:

\* By his first wife, Hannah Camp, he had four children: William, Eveline, Leander, and Laura Ann.

Mary Harriet Peek, born April, 1839.  
 Henry Thomas " " ———, 1840.  
 Charles " " ———, who died, aged 7 months.  
 Eben. Berkley " " ———, 1843.

John Brainerd was fitted for college by Rev. Dr. Perkins, of West Hartford, and graduated at Yale College, in 1808. After that he taught school in Wethersfield and in Albany; in the two places for the space of three or four years, and then entered into partnership in mercantile business with Edward Selden, jun., (also a native of Haddam and graduate of Yale,) in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. This connection was continued only for a brief period. He then went to New Orleans, where he long held an office in the Custom House, and where he was much esteemed. He was a constant attendant on public worship. He died single in that city, November 22, 1851.

Dolly Brainerd lives in Hartford with her sister Frances, Mrs. Tisdale. She has never been married.

Anna Brainerd was married to David Shaler, son of Hezekiah Shaler, January 19, 1808, and had several children.

Prudence Brainerd was married to Henry Nichols, September 9, 1809. They lived many years in East Haddam and then in Lyme, but returned to East Haddam. Mrs. Nichols died October 11, 1843, aged fifty-four, while the family were residing in Lyme. They had eight children; Eliza Nichols, Richard Jeffrey, Frances Jane, Bethiah Clay, Henry Brainerd, Prudence Brainerd, Margaret, and Caroline Brainerd Nichols.

Eliza Nichols was married to Elias Hubbard Ely, November 5, 1832. He is an attorney in the city of New York. They had four children, two sons and two daughters:

Caroline Ely,	born	July 26,	1836.
Eldon	" "	Jan. 14,	1839.
Grenville	" "	May 18,	1841.
Isabella	" "	May 10,	1846.

Caroline Ely has been engaged for some years in teaching in the city of Brooklyn, New York.

Richard Jeffrey Nichols married Mary Crowell, of Sag Harbor, Long Island. He has been a merchant, and traded at sea. They have had one child, which died in infancy.

Frances Jane Nichols was married to Dr. John H. Dayton, of Sag Harbor, where he practised medicine a number of years, and then removed to Muscatine, in Iowa. They had two children, a son and a daughter. Dr. Dayton is dead.

Bethiah Clay Nichols was for some time engaged as principal in teaching a school in New York.

Henry Brainerd Nichols married a woman whose given name was Martha, in Iowa, and had two children. They live in Willamet Valley, in Oregon.

Prudence Brainerd Nichols has always lived with her father in East Haddam, with whom her sisters Bethiah Clay Nichols and Caroline, both single, are also now living.

Margaret Nichols is the wife of Francis Palmer, of East Haddam.

Frances Brainerd was married to James Tisdale, January 1, 1812. He is a native of Lebanon, but at the time of his marriage was an inhabitant of Hartford, where he has long been a merchant. They have two children; Sarah Tisdale, born March 21, 1813, who died on the 19th of the same month; and James Tisdale, born November 26, 1816.

James Tisdale, jun., is now agent for Brown Brothers & Co., in Boston.

Jabez Brainerd married Ann Smith, daughter of Daniel and Tamzon (Willard) Smith, October 21, 1819. They lived awhile in Haddam, then in Windsor, then at Van Buren Harbor, near Dunkirk, New York. They now live at Coneaut, Ohio. They have had one child; Ann Maria Smith Brainerd, now widow of a Mr. Beckwith, at Van Buren Harbor.

Ursula Brainerd was married to Denison Morgan, of Hartford, (a native of Groton,) October 10, 1815. He was a merchant, and has five children:

William Ferdinand Morgan, born Dec. 21, 1816.

George Denison " " Mar. 3, 1818.

Henry Kirke Morgan, born Dec. 15, 1819.

Caroline Brainerd " " Dec. 5, 1821, died Aug. 18, 1822.

John Brainerd " " May 28, 1825, " Sept. 29, 1827.

William F. Morgan was educated classically at Union College, Schenectady, and theologically at the Union Seminary, in the city of New York. He was assistant rector with Dr. Croswell, in New Haven, two years, and has been for a much longer period rector in Norwich city.



George D. Morgan resides in Tarrytown, but is a merchant in New York city. He married Caroline Amelia Hale, of Lewiston, Pennsylvania. They have three children; George Hale, John Brainerd, and Mary Caroline Morgan.

Henry Kirke Morgan married Emily M. Brinley, daughter of George Brinley, of Hartford. They have had three children; George Brinley Morgan, William Denison Morgan, and a child whose name I have not been told. The father is dead.

Hezekiah Brainerd married Rebecca Morgan, sister of Denison Morgan, September 3, 1822. She was born in Colchester, April 1, 1798. They lived a short time in Haddam, where he was a farmer and a Justice of the peace, and then moved to Hartford, where he has been a merchant. They had three children:

Sarah Waterman Brainerd,	born in Haddam,	June 23,	1823.
Rebecca Morgan	“ “	in Hartford,	Feb. 26, 1827.
John	“ “	“ July 4,	1830.

The son was graduated at Trinity College, and is an Episcopal clergyman. He has officiated in the city of Baltimore.

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HEZEKIAH BRAINERD, the youngest child of Dea. Daniel and Hannah (Spencer) Brainerd, acquired much more education than was attained by respectable young men generally in his day, and became a man of great distinction and influence. He was a Representative to the General Assembly and Speaker

of the House of Representatives, a member of the Council or Senate, and intrusted with various public concerns. In consideration of extra public services, the Legislature gave to him and two other gentlemen of like character, a farm of three hundred acres in Goshen. He died at Hartford, while attending the Legislature, as counsellor, May 24, 1727, aged forty-six, and was buried in that place.

He married Dorothy (Hobart) Mason, daughter of Rev. Jeremiah Hobart, of Haddam, October 1, 1707. At the time of this marriage she was the widow of Daniel Mason, of Lebanon, grandson of the celebrated Captain John Mason, to whom she was married, April 19, 1704, and by whom she had one child, Jeremiah Mason, born March 4, 1705.\* She died March 11, 1732, in her fifty-third year.†

The children of Hezekiah and Dorothy (Mason) Brainerd, were:

Hezekiah Brainerd,	born	Oct. 26,	1708.
Dorothy	“	“	Feb. 23, 1710.
Nehemiah	“	“	Feb. 20, 1712.
Jerusha	“	“	April 1, 1714.
Martha	“	“	Sept. 1, 1716.
David	“	“	April 20, 1718.
John	“	“	Feb. 28, 1719–20.
Elizabeth	“	“	Oct. 5, 1722.
Israel	“	“	June 7, 1725.

Hezekiah Brainerd, the first-born of these children, lived in Haddam, on the homestead of his father and

\* See the Life of John Mason, in Sparks' Library of American Biography, Second series, Vol. 3., pp. 437–8.

† See Godwin's Genealogical Notes, p. 199.

grandfather, half a mile below the village of Higganum, but some rods further back from the Connecticut river than his grandfather, and perhaps than his father, for a part if not the whole of his life. He was Clerk of the town, Justice of the peace, repeatedly a representative to the Assembly, and a colonel of militia. He was also a deacon in the church. He died December 14, 1774, aged sixty-seven.

His wife was Mary Fiske, daughter of the Rev. Phineas Fiske, colleague and successor of Rev. Mr. Hobart. He was married to her January 26, 1731, and she died March 3, 1798, aged eighty-five. They had six children:

Mary	Brainerd,	born	July 22, 1732,	died	May 30, 1736.
A son	not named	"	May 31, 1736,	"	aged three days.
Mary 2d	"	"	Sept. 2, 1737.		
Dorothy	"	"	Dec. 20, 1739.		
Hezekiah	"	"	July 28, 1742.		
David	"	"	Nov. 27, 1748.		

Mary Brainerd second, at an advanced age, was married as a second wife to a Mr. Simmons, of Moromos, in Middletown. She has been dead many years.

Dorothy Brainerd was married to Rev. Thomas Minor, June 29, 1775, and had three children:

Thomas	Minor,	born	Oct. 15, 1777.
David	Brainerd	"	" Feb. 24, 1780.
Gilbert	"	"	April 28, 1782.

Mr. Minor was a native of Woodbury, descendant of John Minor, one of the first and most prominent settlers of that town. He was graduated at Yale

College in 1769, studied with Dr. Joseph Bellamy, of Bethlehem, was licensed and preached in Westfield, a parish of Middletown, some time before the gathering of the church there. This was organized December 29, 1773, and at this time Mr. Minor was constituted pastor, a relation which he sustained until his death, April 28, 1826, aged eighty-six, though he was so enfeebled in the latter part of his life, that for about six years a colleague was settled with him, with the understanding that he should labor in the parish two-thirds of the time. He possessed the character of a meek and godly man. His wife died June 5, 1828.

Thomas Minor, jun., in childhood and early youth, suffered much from disease, though he entered Yale College at the early age of fifteen; a fact that he afterwards lamented, for he thought, had his entrance been delayed two years, and he proportionally better fitted, that in his college course he might have acquired double the amount of solid learning. He was graduated in 1796. For several years after leaving college he was employed in teaching youth. He taught an academy in Goshen, New York, about three years, and another in Berlin, about two. When about twenty-five he began the study of medicine with Dr. John Osborne, of Middletown, and in the beginning of 1807 entered upon his profession. From some time in 1808 to 1810, he was in full practice in Lyme, Connecticut, where he married Phebe Mather, by whom he had one child, and where both the mother



and the child soon died. From Lyme he removed to the city of Middletown, where he was much employed as a physician, and where he performed more service than his state of health could well endure. In February, 1819, he was seized with an affection of the lungs and heart, which suddenly ended, in a degree, his professional career, and left him a confirmed valedudinarian at the premature age of forty-one, though for several years after he practised still in consultation, and amused himself in reading two or three foreign languages, besides writing occasional medical and literary essays, which appeared in the columns of different publications. In fact, in various ways he did much for the advancement of medical science, and the relief and benefit of his fellow-men. In 1823, in connection with Dr. Tully, he published essays on fevers and other medical subjects; and in 1825, an account of typhus syncopalis [the sinking typhus]. This work Dr. S. B. Woodward speaks of as one which caused a great deal of controversy; one which was most severely criticised; but one about which, although the public were divided as to its real worth, they were generally satisfied that it evinced great erudition and research. "At any rate," he says, "it was one which gave the author great notoriety as a writer, and great fame as a practitioner." Dr. Minor himself declares that it was published several times entire, or in an abridged form in other works.

After the organization of the medical school at

Yale College, he was perhaps three-tenths of the time one of the censors, or a member of the committee. He was very active in efforts for getting up the Retreat for the Insane at Hartford, and with Dr. Tully, wrote the committee's address to the public, which preceded the solicitation of funds.

He maintained a large correspondence, among whom were many distinguished physicians of the country, and also men of literature and science. Noah Webster, LL.D., the great American Lexicographer, sometimes sent him his manuscripts, soliciting remarks upon them. To him he wrote letters on criticism, etymology, and other philosophical subjects.

Having long been afflicted with a disease of the heart, he visited early in March, 1841, his friend, Dr. S. B. Woodward, at Worcester, Massachusetts, to see what could be done to relieve his sufferings; and, as he said himself, if he could not be relieved, to die with him. With that friend he did die, on the morning of the 23d of the following April, and his body was brought back and interred among his friends in Westfield.

In communicating his death to Dr. Smith, editor of the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, Dr. Woodward speaks of him as a remarkable man, and as having left behind him "few as ripe scholars, profound philosophers, and philanthropists in the medical profession;" as having given himself up "to study and re-

flection" after ill health prevented his engaging in the active duties of his profession; he says, "his mind was very active up to the last;" that he was acquainted with the French, Italian, Spanish, and German languages, and was often employed by publishers in the country to translate them; that he was particularly fond of German, and read works on medicine, theology, and philosophy in that language with great pleasure. He also extols his moral qualities, his benevolence and kindness; speaks of him as exemplifying the Christian character, and as having unbroken confidence in sickness and death in the Christian hope of a glorious resurrection.

The people of Westfield, in addition to other considerations, have reason to remember him with gratitude for an important legacy he has left the Congregational Society. This consists of a parsonage, estimated at one thousand dollars, and of lands estimated at five hundred and seventy dollars.

David Brainerd Minor went to Canada, about 1804, and it is supposed that he has been dead a number of years.

Gilbert Minor died January 17, 1821.

Neither of these two last mentioned sons ever married; and the family of Rev. Thomas Minor is extinct.

Hezekiah Brainerd, the eldest son of Colonel Hezekiah and Mary (Fiske) Brainerd, was graduated at Yale College in 1763, and studied medicine in part, if not wholly, with Dr. Benjamin Gale, of Killingworth, now

Clinton, and commenced practice in his native place, where he was the principal physician for many years, and where, particularly as an inoculator for the small-pox, he was eminent, many resorting to him from Haddam and vicinity for a remedy against that disease, so dreadful when taken the natural way. Upon the formation of Middlesex County in 1785, he was one of the number selected as a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and discharged the duties of that office until afflicted with a paralytic affection in 1795, which finally prevented his engaging in any public labors. He died July 16, 1805, aged sixty-three.

His wife was Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of Rev. Stephen Johnson, pastor of the First Congregational Church in Lyme, by his first wife, Elizabeth Johnson, who was a Diodate from New Haven. They were married November 5, 1772. She was distinguished for good sense, and exerted an extensive and happy influence in Haddam. In her will she gave five hundred dollars to the Congregational Society of Haddam, and five hundred dollars to the Missionary Society of the State. She died December 12, 1813, aged sixty-three. They had three children:

Hezekiah Brainerd, born Aug. 11, 1773.

Elizabeth       "       "     Mar. 2, 1780.

Mary             "       "     Dec. 14, 1783.

Hezekiah Brainerd was graduated at Yale College in 1793, having ranked among the first scholars in his class, and received one of its highest honors. Soon



after leaving college he commenced the study of law at Litchfield, but was attacked with a pulmonary complaint, which closed his life June 20, 1795. On the morning of the day of his death he rode out, but on returning to his father's house died sitting in his chair. A gentleman present overheard him praying that God would mitigate the pains of death. He possessed a most amiable temper, and had maintained correct moral habits. His death was not only a loss to his friends, but to the public. His sister Elizabeth died November 29, 1792; and his sister Mary, March 16, 1806, both of the same disease.

David Brainerd, usually called Captain David Brainerd, married Hannah Willard, daughter of George Willard, of Chester, January 2, 1772. Their children were :

Sophia Brainerd,	born	Nov. 15,	1772.
Hannah	"	"	Dec. 3, 1782.
Dolly	"	"	July 7, 1786.
David	"	"	Jan. 5, 1791.

Captain Brainerd lived in Haddam until about 1803, but spent the latter years of his life in Western New York and in Ohio. He died at French Grant, Lawrence County, Ohio, in 1828, aged eighty; and his widow died there in 1840, aged ninety.

Sophia Brainerd was married to Seth Camp, of Durham, in November, 1790. They lived many years in Whitestown, New York, where they had eight children, viz. :

Willard	Camp,	born	Dec. 28,	1792.
Dolly	"	"	———,	1794.
Hezekiah	"	"	Jan. 31,	1797.
David	"	"	April 25,	1802.
Sophia and	}	"	"	Oct. 28,
Ursula				
Mary	"	"	April —,	1808.

There was also a daughter not named, that died soon after birth.

Mr. Camp died in Whitestown about 1812; and his widow died in Ohio city, or in its neighborhood, November 19, 1830.

Willard Camp married Eliza Higgins, January 30, 1822. She was born in the State of New York, November 30, 1801. They live in Cleveland, Ohio, and have had the following children: Martha and Mary Camp, twins, born October 14, 1822; Elizabeth, born August 23, 1824; Willard Seth, and William John, twins, born April 2, 1826; Franklin and Francis, twins, born May 4, 1828; Theodore, born August 17, 1830; Ann Eliza, born November 26, 1833. Of these children, three died early; Martha, October 2, 1825; Franklin, July 12, 1828; and Theodore, August 17, 1830. Some of the other children are married.

Dolly Brainerd was married to Daniel Barnes. They live near Rochester, but have no children.

Hezekiah Camp married Abigail Fosdick, who was born September 18, 1812. They live in Cleveland, and have one child, born November 9, 1838.

David Camp, like his brothers, lives in Cleveland.

He married first, Rhoda Allen, in April, 1825. She was born in 1807, and died in October, 1839. After her death he married Emily Knapp, born also in 1807. He married her in June, 1840, and by these two wives has had eleven children; Sarah H. Camp, born December 18, 1826; Henry Seth, January 13, 1828; Elizabeth, 1830; Jane E., June 28, 1832; Delinda, June, 1833; Rhoda Ann, June, 1836; Ellen, 1838; David Wilkinson, 1845; William B. Denison, William B. Denison second, and Sarah H. Denison, who was born November, 1848. Of these children, Elizabeth died in 1833; Delinda in 1836; Ellen in January, 1840; William B. Denison in October, 1848; William B. Denison second, August, 1848, aged twelve days.

Sophia Camp died, aged about eighteen years.

Ursula Camp was married to Thomas Stringham, July 11, 1831. He was born June 4, 1798. They live in Canandaigua, and have had five daughters; three died in infancy. The two living are Elizabeth, born in Rochester, November 10, 1832; and Eva, born December 4, 1836.

Mary Camp has been married twice; first, to John Bigford, second, to Charles Howe. The children by the first husband are dead. Charles Howe, the eldest child by the second husband, is nineteen years of age.

Hannah Brainerd is single, and has spent most of her days in East Haddam and in Hartford.

Dolly Brainerd was married to Oliver Oakes, in

Le Roy, New York, December 29, 1816. He is a native of Huntington, Long Island. They have four children :

Henry	Oakes, born in Marietta,	Ohio, Oct. 3, 1817.
Catharine Hannah	“ “ in French Grant,	“ Aug. 28, 1819.
Dolly	“ “ “	“ Jan. 28, 1822.
John Willard	“ “ in Wheelersburgh,	“ Mar. 16, 1826.

Henry Oakes married Mary Green, in March, 1843. She was the daughter of Benjamin and Hannah Green, and born in England. They have three sons; Henry, Royal, and one now an infant, whose name has not been communicated to me.

Catharine Oakes was married to John Kennedy, at Naples, Illinois, in October, 1843. He was born near Albany, New York. They have two sons; Oliver Oakes Kennedy, born November, 1844 and Robert Kennedy, born October, 1852.

Dolly Oakes was married to Addison Batterson, December 4, 1851. He is son of Judge Batterson and Sarah Taylor Batterson, from the Western part of the State of New York. They have had two children; Oliver Batterson, born November 3, 1852; and Franklin, born July 31, 1854. The latter died November 29, 1855.

John W. Oakes moved to Illinois. He married Mary Whitcomb; one account says November 20, 1847, and another October, 1848. Her father was from New Hampshire, and her mother, whose name was Vincent, originally from France. Mrs. Oakes died



in August, 1849, leaving a child which survived her only a few days. As a second wife, Mr. Oakes married Anna Green, December 6, 1850, sister of the wife of his brother Henry. By her he had two daughters, the first, born in October, 1851, named Marietta; the second was born after the father's death, and lived but a little time. The father died September 17, 1853.

Henry and John W. Oakes are owners of a large landed estate, and are in prosperous circumstances.

David Brainerd, jun., married Martha Clark, daughter of Reuben Clark, of Chester, Connecticut, in 1815. She was born June 1, 1793. They lived for a time in Bergen, New York, but now live at Hanging Rock, Lawrence County, Ohio. They have had nine children:

Hezekiah Willard	Brainerd, born Mar. 22, 1817.
Reuben David and } Dolly	" " June 28, 1820.
Isaac Austin	" " May 20, 1827.
Henry Clark	" " Aug. 16, 1829.
John Spark and } Eleanor Miranda	" " Oct. 19, 1831.
Martha Ann	" " Oct. 27, 1834.
Mary Hannah	" " Jan. 25, 1838.

Hezekiah Willard Brainerd was married three times; first, to Mary Clark, daughter of Joel Clark, and grand-daughter of Samuel Clark, one of the first settlers of Ohio. She died childless, May 28, 1844; and he married Marantha Chatfield, December 11, 1844. She was born April 7, 1817, and died January

31, 1847, leaving one child; and he married Mahala Sharp, November 12, 1848. She was born September 29, 1819, and has one child. The children were:

Mary Elizabeth Brainerd, born Sept. 2, 1845.  
 John Wesley " " Sept. 5, 1849.

Reuben David Brainerd married Elizabeth Jane Middlebrooks, September 9, 1846. She was born May 25, 1828. Children:

William Anderson Brainerd, born Dec. 25, 1847.  
 Henry Crayton " " Aug. 4, 1849.  
 David Willard " " Feb. 24, 1851.

Dolly Brainerd was married to Anderson Clark, June 26, 1844. He was born April 16, 1821. Children:

James Anderson Clark, born April 20, 1845.  
 Hannah Brainerd " " June 4, 1847.  
 William David " " Feb. 12, 1849.  
 Euphrania Caroline " " Mar. 3, 1851.

Dorothy Brainerd, the second child of the Hon. Hezekiah and Dorothy (Mason) Brainerd, was married to Lieutenant David Smith, and had several children.

Nehemiah Brainerd, the third child of the Hon. Hezekiah Brainerd, was graduated at Yale College in 1732, and settled in the ministry in Eastbury, in Glastenbury, in 1740. He died November 9, 1742, in his thirty-second year; and, like his immediate predecessor and relative, Chiliab Brainerd, was buried in the old graveyard in Glastenbury. He married Elizabeth

Fiske, daughter of Rev. Phineas Fiske, of Haddam, and had one child, Nehemiah Brainerd.

His widow died and is buried in Haddam.

Nehemiah Brainerd, second, was graduated at Yale College in 1763. He did not study any profession, lived in Haddam, and pursued to some extent husbandry, but performed a good deal of public business in the town, where he was a deacon in the First Congregational Church. He was long a Justice of the peace and Town Clerk; he also represented the town repeatedly in the General Assembly of the State. He married Sarah Brainerd, daughter of Gideon and Sarah (Selden) Brainerd, November 15, 1763, and had the following children:

Anna	Brainerd, born	Aug. 14, 1764.
Elizabeth	" "	April 11, 1766.
Amelia	" "	May 2, 1768.
Nehemiah	" "	June 7, 1770.
John	" "	Dec. 14, 1772.
Sarah	" "	Aug. 13, 1775.
Jemima	" "	Sept. 13, 1777.
David	" "	Sept. 12, 1780, died Oct. 18, 1786.
Fiske and Lydia	} " "	May 14, 1783.

Dea. Brainerd died November 8, 1807, and his widow September 26, 1819.

Anna Brainerd was married to Frederic Brainerd, eldest child of Dea. Ezra Brainerd, of Haddam Neck. See genealogy of Dea. E. Brainerd's family.

Elizabeth Brainerd was married as a second wife to Captain Samuel Pratt, of Essex, and had one child, Nehemiah Brainerd Pratt.

Captain Pratt has been dead many years, and his widow did not long survive him.

Amelia Brainerd was married to John Ventres, son of Captain John Ventres, and had three children; Daniel, David Brainerd, and Amelia Ventres.

Mrs. Ventres died in November, 1796, and Mr. Ventres married a daughter of Bezaliel Shaler, and had several children by her.

Daniel Ventres married Hannah Dickinson, daughter of John Dickinson, and has had several children.

David Brainerd Ventres, married Jennette Tyler, daughter of Captain Arnold Tyler, and after her death, a daughter of Wells Denison, of Essex, and has children by both marriages.

Amelia Ventres is the wife of Dea. John Shaler. They had one child, a daughter, who was married to a Mr. Clark, son of George Clark. The family moved to Illinois some years since, and Dea. Shaler and wife moved thither in 1854, that they might spend their last days with their descendants.

Nehemiah Brainerd married Rebecca Brooks, daughter of Joseph Brooks, January 1, 1807. They had no children. He died December 15, 1846, and his widow is now living in the State of Pennsylvania.

John Brainerd, the late General John Brainerd, never married. He died July 20, 1841, in his sixty-ninth year.

General Brainerd, with his brother Nehemiah, early engaged in the quarrying business, for many



years carried it on extensively, employing many hands, and sending the stone to New York and other places in the country. By this business they acquired a large property for persons in a country town, much of which they devoted to benevolent purposes.

In the month of June, 1839, they commenced the building of an academy, on the homestead connected with the house in which the General lived, and which was opened in the winter of 1840. It is built of Gneiss stone, taken from their own quarry. It is sixty-six feet long, and thirty-four broad; three stories, containing large rooms for study and recitation. Standing on very elevated ground on the west side of Haddam Street, some rods from the road, it commands a fine view of Connecticut River and the adjacent romantic scenery. The cost of the building, including an estimate of the ground on which it stands and a yard about it, amounted to nearly \$12,000. They gave subsequently the avails of some outlands, sold for \$520, for the purchase of apparatus; and after that the house in which the General lived, a stone store and some connected lands, all estimated at \$2,000, which went into the hands of the Trustees at the time of his death.

Besides these donations, they gave a parsonage to the Congregational Society, consisting of a good house, barn, and some lands, which the Society have leased for \$2,500, for nine-hundred and ninety-nine years, the avails of which are to go yearly to the support of the ministry.

By these benefactions, these brothers will be entitled to the gratitude of generations unborn. The academy very appropriately bears the name of BRAINERD ACADEMY.

Sarah Brainerd was married to Calvin Brainerd. See genealogy of Dea. Ezra Brainerd's family.

Jemima Brainerd died single, January 6, 1851, aged seventy-one.

Fiske Brainerd never married. He was long engaged with his brothers Nehemiah and John, in their extensive quarry; many years a member, and for a considerable time a deacon of the Congregational Church. He died June 5, 1826, aged forty-three.

Lydia Brainerd was married as a second wife to Simon Arnold, a native of Haddam, but at the time of her marriage an inhabitant of Willoughby, Ohio, August 30, 1835. She has been dead some years.

Jerusha Brainerd, the fourth child of the Hon. Hezekiah and Dorothy (Hobart Mason) Brainerd, was married to Samuel Spencer, of East Haddam, December 19, 1732. Their children were :

Samuel Spencer, born Jan. 21, 1734.

Dorothy " " April 28, 1735.

Oliver " " Oct. 6, 1736.

Mehetabel " " June 15, 1738.

Asa " " Jan. 19, 1739.

The mother died July 13, 1767, and is interred in an old neglected cemetery near the parish line, between East Haddam and Hadlyme. She died a little before her brother, David Brainerd; and the news

of her death was carried to him while lying sick at Boston, by his brother Israel, then a student of Yale College. "This visit," says President Edwards, "was attended with a mixture of joy and sorrow to Mr. Brainerd. With joy, because he greatly desired to see his brother, especially because he had desired an opportunity of some religious conversation with him before he died. But the meeting was attended with sorrow, as his brother brought him the tidings of his sister Spencer's death at Haddam, [now East Haddam,] a sister between whom and himself had long subsisted a peculiarly dear affection and much intimacy in spiritual matters. He had heard nothing of her sickness until this report of her death. But he had these comforts, together with the tidings, a confidence of her being gone to heaven, and an expectation of meeting her there."

Martha Brainerd, the fifth child of the Hon. Hezekiah Brainerd, was married to General Joseph Spencer, of Millington, East Haddam, a son of Samuel Spencer, August 2, 1738. They had one child, Martha Spencer, born May 8, 1739, which died February 24, 1740. The mother and child are both buried a little west from Millington Church. Tradition represents that the influence of General Spencer was very great in that place in promoting religious order, and the sanctification of the Sabbath.

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DAVID BRAINERD, the sixth child of the Hon. Hezekiah Brainerd, who has just been referred to, possessed

very superior talents, became eminently pious, and accomplished a vast amount of good in the church and in the world. To give a full biography of this distinguished man after all that has been written and published concerning him is unnecessary in this work; still some things may be said. Deprived of both his parents early, he lived from about the age of fifteen to nineteen in East Haddam, probably with one or two families of the name of Spencer, with which some of his relatives were connected. When arrived at the age of nineteen, he went to the adjoining township of Durham, and labored on a farm which belonged to him, being assigned to him probably from his father's estate. While there I have understood that he attended public worship in that place, where the Rev. Elnathan Chauncey was then the pastor, a worthy son of the celebrated President Chauncey, of Harvard College. As his thoughts were early turned to the subject of religion, we may well believe that he listened very earnestly to the instructions of this eminent divine. Some time in April the next year, 1738, he went, evidently with the view of fitting for college, to the house of the Rev. Phinehas Fiske, who was then pastor of the church in Haddam, and continued with him until his death, which occurred on the 17th of October following. During this brief space he was doubtless very faithfully instructed, for Mr. Fiske was one of the best scholars in Connecticut, and had long been a prominent instructor in the literary institution



which was afterwards established at New Haven, and named Yale College. After the death of this venerable man he studied with his brother, Rev. Nehemiah Brainerd, who was settled as pastor in the Society of Eastbury, in Glastenbury. His exercises on religion while living with Mr. Fiske, appear from his own account, as quoted by the late Sereno Edwards Dwight in his "Memoirs of Brainerd."

"I remember," says Brainerd, "that Mr. Fiske advised me wholly to abandon young company, and associate myself with grave, elderly people, which counsel I followed. My manner of life was now wholly regular, and full of religion, such as it was; for I read my Bible twice through in less than a year, spent much time every day in prayer and other sacred duties, gave great attention to the word preached, and endeavored to my utmost to retain it. So much was I concerned about religion, that I agreed with some young persons to meet privately on Sabbath evenings for religious exercises, and thought myself sincere in these duties; and after our meeting was ended, I used to repeat the discourses of the day to myself, recollecting what I could, though sometimes very late at night. I used occasionally on Monday evenings to recollect the same sermons; experienced a considerable degree of enjoyment in prayer, and had many thoughts of joining the church. In short, I had a very good outside, and rested entirely on my duties, though I was insensible of it."

With these exercises, specious as they were, Mr. Brainerd was not long satisfied, and he does not appear to have experienced any thing from which he could venture to hope that he was a child of God, until Sabbath evening, July 12, 1739. Then walking in a solitary place, he says, "In a mournful, melancholy state, I was attempting to pray, but found no heart to engage in that or any other duty; my former concern, exercise and religious affections, were now gone. I thought that the Spirit of God had quite left me, but still was not distressed, yet disconsolate, as if there was nothing in heaven or earth that could make me happy. Having been thus endeavoring to pray, though, as I thought, very stupid and senseless, for near half an hour; then, as I was walking in a dark thick grove, unspeakable glory seemed to open to the view and apprehension of my soul. I do not mean any external brightness, for I saw no such thing; nor do I intend any imagination of a body of light, somewhere in the third heaven, or any thing of that nature; but it was a new inward apprehension, or view that I had of God, such as I never had before, nor any thing which had the least resemblance of it. I stood still, wondered, and admired! I knew that I never had seen before any thing comparable to it for excellency and beauty; it was widely different from all the conceptions that ever I had of God, or things divine. I had no particular apprehension of any one person in the Trinity, either the Father, the Son, or the Holy Ghost; but it ap-

peared to be Divine glory. My soul rejoiced with joy unspeakable, to see such a God, such a glorious divine Being; and I was inwardly pleased and satisfied that he should be God over all for ever and ever. My soul was so captivated and delighted with the excellency, loveliness, greatness, and other perfections of God, that I was even swallowed up in him; at least to that degree, that I had no thought, (as I remember,) at first, about my own salvation, and scarce reflected that there was such a creature as myself.

“Thus God, I trust, brought me to a hearty disposition to exalt him, and set him on the throne, and principally and ultimately to aim at his honor and glory, as King of the universe. I continued in this state of inward joy, peace, and astonishment, till near dark, without any sensible abatement, and then began to think and examine what I had seen, and felt sweetly composed in my mind all the evening following. I felt myself in a new world, and every thing about me appeared with a different aspect from what it was wont to do. At this time the way of salvation opened to me with such infinite wisdom, suitableness, and excellency, that I wondered I should ever think of any other way of salvation; was amazed that I had not dropped my own contrivances and complied with this lovely, blessed, and excellent way before. If I could have been saved by my own duties, or any other way that I had formerly contrived, my whole soul would now have refused it. I wondered that all the world

did not see, and comply with this way of salvation, entirely by the righteousness of Christ.

“The sweet relish of what I then felt continued with me for several days, almost constantly, in a greater or less degree. I could not but sweetly rejoice in God, lying down and rising up. The next Lord’s day I felt something of the same kind, though not so powerful as before. But not long after I was again involved in thick darkness, and under great distress, yet not of the same kind with my distress under convictions. I was guilty, afraid, and ashamed to come before God; was exceedingly pressed with a sense of guilt; but it was not long before I felt, I trust, true repentance and joy in God. About the latter end of August, I again fell under great darkness; it seemed as if the presence of God was clean gone for ever, though I was not so much distressed about my spiritual state as I was at being shut out from God’s presence, as I then sensibly was. But it pleased the Lord to return graciously to me not long after.”

In these remarkable experiences, we have the leading features of David Brainerd’s character, which were more and more developed in his subsequent life.

He entered Yale College in September, 1739, studied hard and took a prominent rank in his class. He also maintained a high standard of piety, as did many others in that institution. His residence there was during one of the most remarkable and extensive revivals that ever blessed our country. It is, however,



true, that there was a degree of censoriousness connected with it, which furnished occasion to worldly men to object to it, and ground of lamentation to the most discriminating and judicious among the pious. Yale College and New Haven shared largely in the revival. As to the College, we need only look at the class to which Brainerd belonged, that of 1743, with the three preceding and the three following, the graduates from 1740 to 1747 inclusive, who were one hundred and thirty-six in number, to be convinced of this happy result. Of these, sixty-four became pastors of churches, and probably many others, who afterwards held conspicuous and useful positions in society, shared in this visitation of mercy.

“During the awakening at College,” to use the words of President Edwards, there were several religious students who associated together for mutual conversation and assistance in spiritual things. These were wont freely to open themselves one to another, as special and intimate friends. Brainerd was one of this company. And it once happened that he and two or three more of these intimate friends were in the hall together, after Mr. Whittlesey, one of the tutors, had engaged in prayer with the scholars, no other person now remaining in the hall but Brainerd and his companion. Mr. Whittlesey having been unusually pathetic in his prayer, one of Brainerd’s friends on this occasion asked him what he thought of Mr. Whittlesey. He made answer, “He has no more grace

than this chair." One of the freshmen happening at that time to be near the hall (though not in the room), overheard these words. This person, though he heard no name mentioned, and knew not who was thus censured, informed a certain woman in the town, withal telling her his own suspicion, viz., that he believed Brainerd said this of some one or other of the rulers of the college. Whereupon she went and informed the Rector, who sent for this freshman and examined him. He told the words which he heard Brainerd say, and informed him who were in the room with him at that time. Upon this the Rector sent for them. They were very backward to inform against their friend respecting what they looked upon as private conversation, especially as none but they had heard or knew of whom he had uttered these words; yet the Rector compelled them to declare what he said, and of whom he said it. Brainerd looked on himself as very ill used in the management of this affair, and thought that it was injuriously extorted from his friends, and then injuriously required of him, as if he had been guilty of some open, notorious crime, to make a public confession, and to humble himself before the whole college in the hall, for what he had said only in private conversation. He not complying with this demand, and having gone once to the separate meeting at New Haven, when forbidden by the Rector, and also having been accused by one person of saying concerning the Rector, "that he wondered he

did not expect to drop down dead for fining the scholars who followed Mr. Tennent to Milford, though there was no proof of it (and Brainerd ever professed that he did not remember his saying any thing to that purpose), for these things he was expelled the College."

President Edwards adds: "How far the circumstances and exigencies of that day might justify such great severity in the governors of the college, I will not undertake to determine, it being my aim not to bring reproach on the authority of the college, but only to do justice to the memory of a person, who was, I think, eminently one of those whose memory is blessed." The reader will see in the sequel of the story of Brainerd's Life, what his own thoughts afterwards were of his behavior in these things, and in how Christian a manner he conducted himself with respect to this affair, though he ever, as long as he lived, supposed himself ill used in the management of it, and in what he suffered. His expulsion was in the winter of 1742, while in his third year at college.

Had he been restored, he would have taken his degree on the 14th of September, the following year. But as it happened before the time for the graduation of his class arrived, he had, as we shall presently see, spent a season in studying theology, had been licensed to preach, and had been examined and approved as a missionary by the Correspondents of the Society in Scotland for Propagating Christian Know-

ledge, and gone through with a portion of his labors at Kaunaumeek.

He however attended the commencement when his class-mates took their degree. He had contemplated the scene with a great deal of solicitude; and it is said in a note, "that his trial was the greater in that, had it not been for the displeasure of the governors of the college, he would not only on that day have shared with his class-mates in the public honors which they then received, but would on that occasion have appeared at the head of his class, which, if he had been with them, would have been the most numerous of any that had ever been graduated at that college." On the day following he offered, with the advice of Christian friends, the following reflections in writing to the Rector and Trustees of the college, which are in substance the same he had freely offered to the Rector before, and entreated him to accept, that if possible he might cut off all occasions of offence from those who seek occasion. What he offered is as follows:

"Whereas, I have said before several persons concerning Mr. Whittlesey, one of the tutors of Yale College, that I did not believe he had any more grace than the chair I then leaned upon; I humbly confess, that therein I have sinned against God, and acted contrary to the rules of his word, and have injured Mr. Whittlesey. I had no right to make thus free with his character, and had no just reason to say as I did concerning him. My fault herein was the more aggra-



vated, in that I said this concerning one who was so much my superior, and one whom I was obliged to treat with special respect and honor, by reason of the relation I stood in to him in the college. Such a manner of behavior, I confess, did not become a Christian; it was taking too much upon me, and did not savor of that humble respect which I ought to have expressed towards Mr. Whittlesey. I have long since been convinced of the falseness of those apprehensions, by which I then justified such conduct. I have often reflected on this act with grief; I hope, on account of the sin of it; and I am willing to lie low, and be abased before God and man for it. I humbly ask the forgiveness of the governors of the college, and of the whole society, but of Mr. Whittlesey in particular. And whereas I have been accused by one person of saying concerning the Reverend Rector of Yale College, that I wondered he did not expect to drop down dead for fining the scholars that followed Mr. Tennent to Milford; I seriously profess that I do not remember my saying any thing to this purpose. But if I did, which I am not certain I did not, I utterly condemn it, and detest all such kind of behavior; and especially in an undergraduate towards the Rector. And I now appear to judge and condemn myself for going once to the separate meeting in New Haven, a little before I was expelled, though the Rector had refused to give me leave. For this I humbly ask the Rector's forgiveness; and whether the governors of the college shall

ever see cause to remove the academical censure I lie under or no, or to admit me to the privileges I desire, yet I am willing to appear, if they think fit, openly to own and to humble myself for those things I have herein confessed.

“God has made me willing to do any thing I can do, consistent with truth, for the sake of peace, and that I might not be a stumbling-block to others. For this reason I can cheerfully forego, and give up what I verily believe, after the most mature and impartial search, is my right, in some instances. God has given me the disposition, that if a man has done me an hundred injuries, and I (though ever so much provoked to it) have done him only one, I feel disposed and heartily willing, humbly to confess my fault to him, and on my knees to ask forgiveness of him; though at the same time he should justify himself in all the injuries he has done me, and should only make use of my humble confession to blacken my character the more, and represent me as the only person guilty; yea, though he should as it were insult me, and say, ‘he knew all this before, and that I was making work for repentance.’ Though what I said concerning Mr. Whittlesey was only spoken in private, to a friend or two, and being partly overheard, was related to the Rector, and by him extorted from my friends, yet, seeing it was divulged and made public, I was willing to confess my faults therein publicly. But I trust God will plead my cause.”

“I was witness,” President Edwards adds, “to the very Christian spirit which Brainerd showed at that time, being then at New Haven, and one whom he thought fit to consult on that occasion. This was my first opportunity of a personal acquaintance with him. There truly appeared in him a great degree of calmness and humility, without the least appearance of rising of spirit for any ill-treatment which he supposed he had suffered, or the least backwardness to abase himself before them, who, as he thought, had wronged him. What he did was without any appearance of reluctance, even in private to his friends, to whom he freely opened himself. Earnest application was made on his behalf to the authority of the college, that he might have his degree then given him, and particularly by the Rev. Mr. Burr, of Newark, one of the correspondents of the honorable Society in Scotland; he being sent from New Jersey to New Haven, by the rest of the Commissioners for that end; and many arguments were used, but without success. Indeed, the governors of the college were so far satisfied with the reflections which Brainerd had made on himself, that they appeared willing to admit him again into college, but not to give him his degree till he should have remained there at least twelve months, which being contrary to what the correspondents to whom he was engaged had declared to be their mind, he did not consent to it. He desired his degree, as he thought it would tend to his being more extensively useful;

but still when he was denied it, he manifested no disappointment or resentment.

Thus ended his hope of obtaining a degree, and he soon returned to his labors at Kaunaameek, though detained somewhat by sickness on his way.

This, however, is not all that is to be said in this place. It is clear enough that Rev. Jonathan Edwards was not satisfied with the refusal of a degree to David Brainerd by the faculty and trustees of Yale College, after all his readiness to confess his faults, and to confess them openly and fully. Others in New England sympathized with him, and others at a distance; among the former were the Rev. Mr. Dickinson, pastor of the church in Norwalk, Connecticut; among the latter, his brother, Rev. Jonathan Dickinson, pastor of the church in Elizabethtown, New Jersey, and the Rev. Aaron Burr, pastor of the church in Newark, who pleaded for Brainerd before the authorities of Yale College in behalf of the Society for the propagation of Christian Knowledge in Foreign parts, which had appointed him their missionary.

And now I shall state a fact that may not be known to very many that will read this work. I once heard the Hon. John Dickinson, chief Judge of the Middlesex County Court, Connecticut, and son of the Rev. Mr. Dickinson, of Norwalk, say, "that the establishment of Princeton College was owing to the sympathy felt for David Brainerd, because the authorities of Yale College would not give him his degree,



and that the plan of the college was drawn up in his father's house."

Perhaps I have not given every word just as he uttered the declaration. But as I was then preaching in Haddam, where I have spent more than twenty-five years of my ministry, and as I have passed hundreds of times by the place where the house stood in which David Brainerd was born, the cellar of which is still visible, I am certain I have declared the precise fact that Judge Dickinson uttered. Nor is this the whole proof of the fact. There is evidence that the Rev. Aaron Burr said, after the rise of Princeton College, that it would never have come into existence had it not been for the expulsion of David Brainerd from Yale College. It is a significant fact that three of the men who were conspicuous in their sympathy and efforts for Brainerd were the first three Presidents of Princeton College, Jonathan Dickinson, Aaron Burr, and Jonathan Edwards.

Men in New Jersey perhaps would have had a college sooner or later, notwithstanding the strong language of the second president, if Brainerd had not been expelled. The Log College, as it was called, got up by the pious and blessed Tennants, is an indication that they would have had one, and so is the existence of some academies, which were given up when the college was actually established. But the sympathy of Brainerd's friends induced them to rally their forces and establish a college, perhaps ten, twenty, thirty or more

years before it would otherwise have come into being. Brainerd was expelled in the latter part of the winter of 1742, and Princeton College received pupils soon after. Six young men were graduated in 1748. Five of these became pastors of churches, and the sixth, a distinguished lawyer, a Provincial Judge, and the chief Judge in the highest court in New Jersey. This distinguished man was taken by the British during the Revolution, and subjected to great abuses, which shortened his days. Had he survived that war there was scarcely any position which he might not have secured. This man was the Hon. Richard Stockton. In ten years there were one hundred and seven graduates, sixty-six of whom became pastors of churches; and during these years were graduated such men as Joseph Montgomery, Alexander McWhorter, and Philip P. Livingston. All the members of New York Synod were warmly attached to Brainerd and friendly to Princeton College. President Clapp complained that they upheld members from Yale College who were under censure, evidently referring specially, if not solely, to Brainerd; others in Connecticut felt as he did. But whatever unpleasant feelings existed for a time between these two institutions soon passed away, and the elder and the younger have both abundant reasons for rejoicing in the renown they have secured, the numbers they have instructed, the high standard of education to which they have attained, the valuable and eminent men

they have furnished in the learned professions, the amount of good they have already produced for our country and the world, and the prospect of increasing good which they shall accomplish hereafter continually until earth and time shall be no more.

But as to Brainerd, he found it practicable to do good, and vast good, without receiving his degree, much as he desired it at the time; and earnestly as some of his distinguished and best friends desired it and sought for it in his behalf. Its refusal even may have contributed to make him more humble, watchful, and prayerful than he otherwise would have been, during the whole of his subsequent life; and more successful in his labors, looking afterward with an eye remarkably single to the glory of God in the salvation of sinners.

Among the noble traits in his character was his great industry. The amount of labor which he performed in the brief period of his public life, considering how feeble he was and how much he suffered by sickness, is absolutely astonishing. To visit his people, in larger or smaller bodies, he journeyed much; and though his journeys were not long as we now estimate distances,\* yet they were often over roads which were horrible, and sometimes for a part of the way where there were no roads, over hills and hedges, or in a wilderness where riding was perilous.

\* When President Edwards was about to leave Stockbridge to go to New Jersey, he spoke repeatedly in his farewell sermon of the great distance he was going.

And yet when he fell in with persons in travelling, or stopped for a day or two, or even for a night, where there were a few persons, or families, he seized the opportunity to converse with his fellow-creatures on the great subject of religion. This he did irrespective of color, condition, or rank; with good persons that they might become better, and with the unconverted that they might flee from the wrath to come, and lay hold upon eternal life.

He had scarcely any time for study; but, that he might have some for rest, reflection, and prayer, as well as that he might be among his people, learn their conduct more perfectly, and address them more appropriately, he built four houses at his principal stations, one at Kaunaumeek, one at the Forks of the Delaware, one at Crosswicks, and one at Cranbury, where he hoped the scattered families around would be collected, form a permanent settlement, cultivate the earth for a living, and not be wandering here and there as they had been accustomed to do, for the purposes of hunting and fishing. In the erection of these buildings he did not forget what he had learned at a previous period in working on a farm.

His labors at Kaunaumeek were commenced April 1, 1743, and continued a year. The locality of this station is known by the name of Brainerd's Bridge, not so much from the fact that David Brainerd labored, there, but that another person by the name of Brainerd, from East Haddam, long after, built a bridge over the



creek running through the Kaunaumeeek flat, and built a public house a little east of it. His house was on the flat, below the bridge, and the Indian cabins were around on the flat at short distances.

The Forks of the Delaware, I am told, were, or rather the place within the Forks, where David Brainerd labored, about as long as at Kaunaumeeek, was where Easton is, or very nigh that place, at the junction of the Lehigh River with the Delaware. A Presbyterian Church there, is still called the Brainerd church.

Crossweeksung, now Crosswicks, is on the left bank of Crosswicks Creek, eight miles south-east of Trenton, New Jersey, and four east of Bordentown. Here David Brainerd began to preach on the 19th of June, 1745. Some years since, Bartholomew Calvin, a Delaware Indian, educated by Rev. John Brainerd, successor of David, pointed out to the Rev. Dr. Alexander, now of New York, the precise spot where the building stood, in which John Brainerd preached to the Indians. This was probably the place where these two brothers proclaimed to the Indians the words of everlasting life. Here David Brainerd had his greatest success. Before the end of a year a complete reformation took place in the lives of the savages, seventy-eight of whom he baptized within that time.\*

But they left that place, for some reason unknown to the writer, and by the 3d of May, 1746, or about

\* Blake's Biographical Dictionary.

that time, removed as a body from Crosswicks to Cranbury, fifteen miles distant, which was Brainerd's home until the spring of 1747, when, by feebleness and sickness, his public labors as a missionary were closed. The farewell he gave to his beloved church and people there, at that time, was final to them for this world.

The manner which David Brainerd pursued in doing good to the Indians may be best told in his own language: "The methods which I am taking to instruct the Indians in our holy religion, are to preach, or open and improve some particular points of doctrine; to expound particular paragraphs, or sometimes whole chapters of God's word to them; to give historical relations from Scripture of the most material and remarkable occurrences relating to the church of God from the beginning; and frequently to catechize them upon the principles of Christianity. The latter of these methods of instructing, I manage in a twofold manner. I sometimes catechize systematically, proposing questions agreeably to the Assembly's 'shorter catechism.' This I have carried to a considerable length. At other times I catechize upon any important subject, which I think difficult to them. Sometimes when I have discoursed upon some particular point, and made it as plain and familiar to them as I can, I then catechize them upon the most material branches of my discourse, to see whether they had a thorough understanding of it. But as I have cate-

chized chiefly in a systematical form, I shall here give you some specimens of the method I make use of in it, as well as the propriety and justness of my people's answers to the questions proposed to them." The first specimen is as follows, consisting of questions concerning the benefits which believers receive from Christ at death. As introductory to these questions he says to the Indians, "I have shown you that the children of God receive a great many good things from Christ while they live;" now he asks: "Have they any more to receive when they come to die?" They answer, Yes, and he proceeds, and they answer other questions: "Are the children of God then made perfectly free from sin? A. Yes. Do you think they will never be more troubled with vain, foolish, and wicked thoughts? No, never. Will they not then be like the good angels I have so often told you of? Yes. And do you call this a great mercy to be freed from all sin? Yes. Do all God's children count it so? Yes; all of them. Do you think this is what they would ask for above all things, if God should say to them, Ask what you will, and it shall be done for you? O yes; because this is what they want. Do you say the souls of God's people are at death made perfectly free from sin; where do they go then? They go and live with Jesus Christ. Does Christ show them more respect and honor, and make them more happy than we can possibly think of in this world? Yes. Do they go immediately to live with Christ in heaven as soon as

their bodies are dead; or do they tarry somewhere else awhile? They go immediately to Christ. Does Christ take care of the bodies of his people when they are dead and their souls gone to heaven, or does he forget them? He takes care of them."

These questions were all answered, Mr. Brainerd observes, with surprising readiness, and without once missing as I remember. In answering several of them, which respected deliverance from sin, they were much affected and melted with the hopes of that happy state.

David Brainerd did not indeed think that he was successful in converting any of the Kaunaumeeks, but he did think that they, adults and children, were greatly improved in knowledge and morals; and that when he induced them to join the Indians in Stockbridge, they were much more likely to become the subjects of saving grace than they were when he first visited them. His interpreter had instructed them well in secular knowledge, and he had instructed them well in religious knowledge and in morals. His hopes therefore were increased, that saving good would come to them, for he had no belief that ignorance is the mother of devotion; and that immoral men are more likely, or as likely, to become the subjects of renewal as moral men.

After the Kaunaumeeks were removed to Stockbridge they were amalgamated with the Stockbridges, and all were usually denominated Stockbridge Indians.



Among these, before they removed to Stockbridge in New York, as the greater part did in 1785, and all of them about that time, more than one hundred Indians had been members of the Stockbridge church; and one of them, a very respectable man, had been a deacon, and associated in that capacity with the Hon. Timothy Woodbridge, a gentleman of superior abilities and acquisitions, for a long time agent and superintendent of Indian affairs, who also held important civil offices.\*

The converted Indians before their removal to New York were formed into a church by themselves, and Rev. John Sergeant, jun., became their pastor. Thence about fifty years after they removed to the region of Green Bay, in Wisconsin. The little church still lives among them, and in it we believe a goodly number have been trained up for everlasting life in heaven.

But while the great object of Christian missions to the Indians was their conversion to truth and holiness, and their eternal salvation, we are not to forget other benefits which were incidentally secured by them. It was worth much to have the Stockbridge Indians friendly to the whites, before and after, as well as during the Colonial wars, and especially in the long war of the Revolution; and to have them also competent and safe guides to such as wished to travel alone and in companies in the valley of the Housa-

\* The name of this Indian was Peter Pauquanaupect.

tonic, or eastward and westward from it, on private or public business. Had it not been for them (for Stockbridge was long a frontier settlement), travellers would have been exposed in all these directions, to captivity, torture, and death; and such scenes might have been repeated as in earlier times transpired in the settlements on the Connecticut River, or near it, on some of its tributaries.

How far similar incidental benefits arose from the labors of Brainerd at the Forks of the Delaware, Crossweeksung, and Cranbury, I have not had the means of ascertaining.

But the usefulness of Brainerd was not confined to his lifetime on earth. There is a sense in which good men, especially men eminently good and widely known for their goodness, live in this world after they are dead. They live by their remembered, recorded, and published examples—by the monuments, and the enduring marks of their usefulness. How many missionaries since Brainerd's time in our country, or in other countries where the English language is spoken, have been stimulated by what he did; and how many ministers and churches throughout Christendom have been warmed and quickened to do more in the great work of converting the world to Christ. And thus it will be more and more in coming times.

The last words written in his diary, either by himself or by another from his mouth, were uttered October 2, 1747. "My soul," he says, "was this day, at turns,

sweetly set on God. I longed to be with him, that I might behold his glory. I felt sweetly disposed to commit all to him, even my dearest friends, my dearest flock, my absent brother, and all my concerns for time and eternity. O that his kingdom might come in the world, that they might all love and glorify him for what he is in himself; and that the blessed Redeemer might see of the travail of his soul, and be satisfied. O come, Lord Jesus, come quickly. Amen."

Lord's day, October 4th, as Jerusha Edwards, to whom Brainerd had been espoused, and who chiefly attended upon him, came into his room, he looked on her very pleasantly and said: "Dear Jerusha, are you willing to part with me? I am quite willing to part with you; I am willing to part with all my friends; I am willing to part with my dear brother John, though I love him the best of any creature living. I have committed him and all my friends to God, and can leave them with God. Though if I thought I should not see you, and be happy with you in another world, I could not bear to part with you. But we shall spend a happy eternity together." In the evening as one came into the room with a Bible in her hand, he exclaimed: "O that dear book! that lovely book! I shall soon see it opened; the mysteries that are in it, and the mysteries of God's Providence will be unfolded."

The character of David Brainerd, as it appeared in his general conversation, is given by President Ed-

wards, in his life of this wonderful man, on pp. 223-4, under the date of May 28, 1747.

After mentioning how he had been acquainted with him previously, he describes his appearance after his first visit to Northampton, where he had opportunity for a more full acquaintance with him. "I found him," he says, "remarkably sociable, pleasant, and entertaining in his conversation, yet solid, savory, spiritual, and very profitable; appearing meek, modest, and humble; far from stiffness, moroseness, superstitious demureness, or affected singularity in speech or behavior, and seeming to nauseate all such things. We enjoyed not only the benefit of his conversation, but had the comfort and advantage of hearing him pray in the family from time to time. His manner of praying was very agreeable; most becoming a worm of the dust and a disciple of Christ, addressing an infinitely great and holy God and Father of mercies; not with florid expressions or a studied eloquence; not with any intemperate vehemence or indecent boldness; at the greatest distance from any appearance of ostentation, and from every thing that might look as though he meant to recommend himself to those that were about him, or set himself off to their acceptance; free, too, from vain repetitions, without impertinent excursions or needless multiplying of words. He expressed himself with the strictest propriety, with weight and pungency, and yet what his lips uttered seemed to flow from the fulness of his heart, as deeply impressed with



a great and solemn sense of our necessities, unworthiness, and dependence, and of God's infinite greatness, excellency, and sufficiency, rather than merely from a warm and fruitful brain, pouring out good expressions. And I know not that I ever heard him so much as ask a blessing or return thanks at table, but there was something remarkable to be observed, both in the matter and manner of the performance. In his prayers he insisted much on the prosperity of Zion, the advancement of Christ's kingdom in the world, and the flourishing and propagation of religion among the Indians. And he generally made it one petition in his prayer, that we might not outlive our usefulness.

“His learning was very considerable. He had a great taste for learning, and applied himself to his studies in so close a manner when he was at college, that he injured his health, and was obliged 'on that account for awhile to leave college, throw by his studies, and return home. He was esteemed one who excelled in learning in that society.

“He had an extraordinary knowledge of men as well as of things; and an uncommon insight into human nature. He excelled most whom I ever knew in the power of communicating his thoughts, and had a peculiar talent at accommodating himself to the capacities, tempers, and circumstances of those whom he would instruct or counsel.

“He had extraordinary gifts for the pulpit. I never had an opportunity to hear him preach, but have

often heard him pray. I think that his manner of addressing himself to God, and expressing himself before him in that duty, almost inimitable; such as I have very rarely known equalled. He expressed himself with such exact propriety and pertinency; in such significant, weighty, pungent expressions; with such an appearance of sincerity, reverence, and solemnity, and so great a distance from all affectation, as forgetting the presence of men, and as being in the immediate presence of a great and holy God, as I have scarcely ever known paralleled. His manner of preaching, by what I have often heard from good judges, was no less excellent; being clear, instructive, natural, nervous, and moving, and very searching and convincing. He nauseated an affected noisiness and violent boisterousness in the pulpit; and yet much disrelished a flat, cold delivery, when the subject required affections and earnestness.

“Not only had he excellent talents for the study and the pulpit, but also for conversation. He was of a social disposition; was remarkably free, entertaining, and profitable in his ordinary discourse, and discovered uncommon ability in disputing, in defending truth and confuting error.

“He excelled in his knowledge of theology, and was truly, for one of his standing, an extraordinary divine; but, above all, in matters relating to experimental religion. In this I know I have the concurring opinion of some, who are generally regarded as

persons of the best judgment. According to what ability I have to judge of things of this nature, and according to my opportunities, which of late have been very great, I never knew his equal of his age and standing, for clear, accurate notions of the nature and essence of true religion, and its distinctness from its various false appearances. This I suppose to be owing to the strength of his understanding; to the great opportunities which he had of observing others, both whites and Indians, and to his own great experience."

His experiences of the holy influences of God's Spirit were not only great at his first conversion, but they were so in a continued course, from that time forward. In this, Mr. Edwards was confirmed the more by the perusal of Brainerd's diary after his funeral sermon was preached.

In accordance with Brainerd's life, so were his exercises as he approached eternity. As he lay sick in his room at Northampton, observing how the watchers often looked out of the window to see if there were any signs of approaching day, he said, in the language of the psalmist, "My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning; I say, more than they that watch for the morning."\* One evening as he thought himself to be a dying, and was apprehended to be so by others, and when he could utter himself only by broken whispers, he often repeated the word Eternity, and said "I shall soon be

\* Psalm cxxx. 6.

with the holy angels." "Jesus will come, he will not tarry." He sometimes used that expression, "O why is his chariot so long in coming?"

"In the near view of death, his thoughts ran on the prosperity of the church on earth and the glories of heaven. Very late in the night on which he died, he had much very proper and profitable discourse with his brother John, concerning his congregation in New Jersey, and the interest of religion among the Indians. Towards day his eyes were fixed, and he continued lying immovable till about six o'clock on Friday, October 9, 1747, when his soul, as we may well conclude, was received by his dear Lord and Master, as an eminently faithful servant, into that state of perfection in holiness and fruition of God for which he had so often and so ardently longed; and was welcomed by the glorious assembly in the upper world, as one peculiarly fitted to join them in their blessed employ and enjoyment."

Much respect was shown to his memory at his funeral, which was attended on Monday, the 12th of October. A sermon was preached by President Edwards from 2 Cor. v. 8.—"We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord."

Eight of the neighboring clergy were present on the occasion; and seventeen other gentlemen of a liberal education, and a great concourse of people.

He is buried in the old graveyard in Northampton. A tablet is placed over his remains. A path is worn



from the entrance of the yard to his grave by those who appreciate his worth. Some years since, during a session of the General Association of Massachusetts, a long procession was formed, which went up to his monument, and while standing around it, an address was delivered on his character and labors, which is said to have been by the late Rev. Justin Edwards, D.D.

In this connection the reader will be interested in reading what President Edwards has written concerning his daughter Jerusha, who died on the 14th day of February, next following the death of David Brainerd, after a short illness of five days, in the eighteenth year of her age. "She was," he says, "a person of much the same spirit with Brainerd. She had constantly taken care of and attended him in his sickness, for nineteen weeks before his death, devoting herself to it with great delight, because she looked upon him as an eminent servant of Jesus Christ. In this time he had much conversation with her on the things of religion; and in his dying state often expressed to us, her parents, his great satisfaction concerning her true piety, and his confidence that he should meet her in heaven; and his high opinion of her, not only as a true Christian, but a very eminent saint—one, whose soul was uncommonly fed and entertained with things which appertain to the most spiritual, experimental, and distinguishing parts of religion; and one, who by the temper of her mind, was fitted to deny herself for

God, and to do good beyond any young woman whatsoever, whom he knew. She had manifested a heart uncommonly devoted to God, in the course of her life, many years before her death; and said on her death-bed, that 'she had not seen one minute for several years, wherein she desired to live one minute longer, for the sake of any other good in life, but doing good; living to God and doing what might be for his glory.'"

She is buried by the side of Brainerd, and an upright head and foot-stone designate particularly where her flesh rests in hope.

They had anticipated great happiness in married life in this world, surrounded by pious relatives and friends, and engaged with them in the duties of piety and devotion; but they have enjoyed more in connection with each other in heaven already, with pious kindred there, the general assembly, and church of the firstborn, with holy angels, and with God their Maker, Saviour, and Sanctifier, than they could possibly have enjoyed on earth; and their happiness is only just begun.

JOHN BRAINERD, the seventh child of the Hon. Hezekiah and Dorothy Mason Brainerd, was regarded as being as pious a man as his brother, of whom we have been speaking, and he was very much like him in missionary labors. Indeed he was his successor, and permitted to labor for the good of the Indians a much longer time. He was probably fitted for College by his brother, Nehemiah Brainerd. If he entered the

freshman class in Yale College at the beginning of the year, he must have been much tried by the censure through which his brother passed; but he kept on his course, and was graduated in 1746. He probably studied theology for a brief space with Mr. Mills, of Ripton, or Dr. Bellamy, of Bethlem; and was then licensed to preach. In contemplation of the last journey which his brother took to New England in the hope of regaining his health, he was sent for by the Correspondents of the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge in Foreign Parts, to take care of his congregation during his absence, into which service he entered, and he remained in the same services long after his brother was removed from his labors and trials on earth. This fact explains the reason, that while he took his second degree in course at Yale College in 1749, he took the same degree the same year at Princeton College, of the rise of which I have spoken, having his field of labor where he had much intercourse with the trustees and friends of that institution. Of this, at length, he became a trustee himself, and held that station twenty-six years. In a letter, dated October 4, 1752, he says, "I have now been employed among these Indians above four years, besides officiating for my brother several months before his last sickness." He ministered to the first church in Newark four years, and while there was appointed missionary to the Indians, among whom the name of Brainerd had become precious. He consulted the Presbytery

to which he belonged, whether he should accept it or not. The prospect of having a comfortable support at Newark, where he was a candidate for settlement, was much greater than it would be on his becoming a missionary. The Presbytery, however, advised him to accept the appointment, and on doing so, they made efforts to secure him the means of living, and he remained a missionary during life.

His likeness to his brother, David Brainerd, as a missionary, has been mentioned, and of this there is full and striking proof in this fact. He kept a diary as his brother did, stating his resolutions, his exercises, his conversations, his preaching; the appearances of the individuals, families, smaller and larger assemblies that he addressed; the evidences of the divine presence and blessing which he saw, and almost every thing that had relation to his calling and objects. That great good was done by him there is full evidence. But precisely how many of the Indians were savingly converted by his ministry, or that of his brother, we cannot know in this world; but that a very considerable number were, we have good reason to believe.

David Brainerd was prevented by sickness and death from entering into married life. John Brainerd was married twice; first, to Experience Lion, November 1, 1752, by whom he had three children:

Sophia Brainerd,	born	Aug. 11,	1753.
Mary	“	“	July 18, 1755.
David	“	“	April 11, 1757.



The mother died in less than eighteen months after the birth of the last child, and he felt greatly his loss, while he was consoled with the firm belief that her soul had gone to a better world. Hence he writes: "My dear wife, after a long and painful sickness, departed the 17th of September, 1757; the greatest loss I ever sustained—the most sorrowful day I ever saw. May God sanctify it to us in spiritual and divine blessings. Dust thou art and unto dust shalt thou return. Having a desire to depart and to be with Christ which is far better, she has exchanged a vale of tears for a crown of glory. Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord; they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

But his afflictions did not stop here. The first of his three children died September 8, 1758; and the third, an only son, bearing the name of his lamented brother David, died three days after. Soon after these repeated and great afflictions, Mr. Brainerd removed with his surviving daughter Mary, who constituted the whole of his own family until some time in 1766, when he married Mrs. Elizabeth Price, who survived him. She died August 28, 1783.

As for Mr. Brainerd's daughter Mary, we shall have occasion to speak of her further onward.

The following letter of John Brainerd to a friend in England, giving an account of the Indians after his brother's death, is so excellent, so much in point, and so appropriate for insertion in this place, that I give it

nearly entire. And for like reasons I shall add to this another letter written by Mr. Brainerd about a year later, to the President of the Society in Scotland which supported him. Both were written from Bethel, a place where he lived for a time before removing to Deerfield.

“BETHEL, October 4th, 1752.

“I have now been employed as a missionary among these Indians for above four years and a half, beside officiating for my brother several months during his last sickness. In this space of time the number has considerably increased, though, for more than two years after I came, we were visited with much sickness and great mortality. We have now near forty families belonging to our society; and our church consists of thirty-seven communicants, beside two or three more who stand as candidates for admission. Our school has sometimes consisted of above fifty children; but the number of children at present is not altogether so great. I have spent most of my time, since I have been employed as a missionary, among this people, but have not wholly confined myself to them. I have taken several journeys out among the more remote Indians, and some to those at a great distance. By this means, with the blessing of God on my labors, I have persuaded numbers to come from distant places and settle here, where they and their children have the advantages of instruction, which I trust have been

blessed to the saving conversion of some. May the Lord daily increase their number.

“ We have a very considerable number of serious regular Christians, who are an ornament to religion ; and although some who make a profession have grievously backslidden, the Lord has preserved and continued a Christian congregation together, although many attempts have been made by Satan and his instruments to disperse and destroy it.”

After mentioning the obstacles which hindered the conversion of the Indians, such as their love of strong drink, their indolent wanderings, unsteady disposition, the wickedness of some white people who prejudice them against the missionaries, the temptations which the whites throw in their way—some of them buying drink and giving it gratuitously to see if they cannot make the Christian Indians drunk—and the want of a more liberal support to the missionaries for carrying them through difficult journeys, and taking Christian Indians along with them, he proceeds :

“ I hope and trust, as this work of grace among the Indians comes to be more generally known and spread abroad, there will be a greater plenty of provision for the prevention of the same ; and may the Lord hasten the blissful time.

“ Upon the whole, though I am feelingly sensible of many difficulties and discouragements in christianizing the Indians, yet I cannot but think that there has been, and still is, as much encouragement as could

rationally have been expected, before any attempts of this kind were made; and that which is sufficient for us still to act upon, and to make further attempts of this nature. There is ground to hope that within these seven years past, there have been at least forty persons savingly converted to God even in this small place, which at most does not contain above two hundred souls, old and young of all sorts; and were there any sufficiently zealous to go to the more remote places where there are greater numbers of these miserable savages, who can tell what the Lord would do? What a glorious prospect might soon open!

“The quarterly days of prayer for the prosperity of Zion are observed by some in these parts, and have been very constantly attended in my congregation; and some of my people have appeared very affectionate and warmly engaged at such times. May the Lord hear and answer the supplications of his people, and cause his church to arise and flourish, and become a praise in the whole earth. I would desire a remembrance in your addresses to the throne of grace for me, for my people, and for the cause of God among the Indians.

“JOHN BRAINERD.”

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*Letter to the Præses of the Society in Scotland, dated  
BETHEL, October 22, 1753.*

“Since my last to your Lordship, which bears date March 2, 1753, I have steadily attended to the busi-



ness of the mission, and have not been absent from my charge, except on some necessary occasions, and then only for a short space.

“I have endeavored to attend strictly to my commission and instructions, preaching the gospel, administering the sacraments, catechizing both the grown people and the children, visiting my people, praying and conversing with the sick, attending funerals, and watching all opportunities to do them good. I have constantly attended public worship three times on the Lord’s Day ; steadily once, and sometimes more, in the rest of the week. Besides, I have advised the people, especially of late, to meet at least one evening in the week, at a private house, which they do in the several parts of their town ; sometimes at one house, and sometimes at another. This meeting I have generally attended, and carry it on by prayer, singing of psalms or hymns, and religious conversation. At these meetings I address myself to particular persons, inquire into the state of their souls, warn, exhort, and encourage, etc., as I see occasion. When I am absent, the meeting is carried on by religious conversation, together with prayer and singing. My endeavors, through the blessing of heaven, have been, I hope, attended with some degree of success. I have had the satisfaction of admitting one adult person to baptism, who, I trust, is a true convert to God, and savingly acquainted with Jesus Christ ; and sundry children have been the subjects of that divine ordinance. I can also inform your

Lordship and the Society, that many of our former converts adorn their profession by a sober, virtuous life. But some, I must needs say, have grievously backslidden, and done more to exhaust my spirits and wear me out, than all the bodily fatigues I have undergone in the prosecution of this mission."

Afterwards he writes of great difficulties which the Indians have labored under of late, in regard to their lands, and of the lamented death of a promising young Indian, whom the Society was educating for the ministry, of whom Mr. Brainerd says:

"He had been a member of Princeton College nearly two years, was much beloved by his classmates and the other scholars, and made a decent appearance among them. He died of a quick consumption. I had an opportunity of conversing with him in the latter part of his sickness; and, though he was under some darkness, yet his discourse was good, and discovered much of the Christian. I am, &c.,

"JOHN BRAINERD."

Though this Indian was not permitted to enter the ministry by reason of death, yet this and other cases show that the Indians, in some instances at least, may be qualified for the sacred office. Occum, a Mohegan Indian, was a long time in the ministry, and his public labors excited no small interest in various places. Unless the Indians are educated and truly converted to Christ, it is evident that they must, at no distant period, become generally extinct in our

country. What is now doing by missionaries in the far West, furnishes ground of hope that such a result will be prevented.

But to return to the family of the Rev. John Brainerd, his daughter Mary was married to Dr. John Ross, of Egg Harbor, New Jersey.

Besides being a physician, Dr. Ross was a major in the third regiment of the New Jersey Infantry in the American Revolution, and a colonel of militia. Under the administration of General Washington, he was appointed a collector of the revenue for the county of Burlington. The children of Dr. and Mary Brainerd Ross, were :

Sophia Marion Ross,	born	Nov. 18, 1779.
John Brainerd	“ “	Jan. 23, 1782, lived just one month.
Elizabeth	“ “	Jan. 18, 1783.
Alexander	“ “	Aug. 13, 1785.

Sophia Marion Ross was married August 1, 1797, to John Lardner Clark, Esq., and had six children :

Charles, Ross Clark,	born	Jan. 1, 1798, died in Oct. following.
Charles “ “	“ “	Sept. 17, 1799, “ Oct. 9, 1800.
Louisa Vanuxem “	“ “	at Mt. Holley, Aug. 1, 1801.
Brainerd “ “	“ “	July 25, 1803.
Emeline “ “	“ “	July 22, 1805, died April 23, 1807.
Emeline Marion “	“ “	Oct. 8, 1807.

Louisa Vanuxem Clark was married twice ; first, to Thompson Neale Sims, June 3, 1823, and had three children :

Sophia Marion Sims,	born	Mar. 25, 1824, died Dec. 1, 1840.
Alfred William “	“ “	Sept. 21, 1826.
Louisa Clark “	“ “	June 10, 1830, “ Jan. 15, 1831.

Mr. Sims died soon after the birth of the third child, in October, 1830, and his widow was married to James Peacock, Esq., December 26, 1839, by which marriage there was no issue.

Alfred William Sims was married to Adelaide Sowden, June 1, 1856.

Brainerd Clark was married to Sarah Jane Coppuck, July, 1830, and had three children :

Adelaide Louisa Clark,	born	Aug. 30,	1831.
Louis James	" "	Nov. 9,	1833.
Frederic William	" "	May —,	1836.

Emeline Marion Clark was married to John Clarke Sims, in Philadelphia, December 8, 1830, and had six children :

Henry Augustus Sims,	born	Dec. 22,	1832.
Clifford Stanley	" "	Feb. 2,	1835, died May 5, 1837.
Celanire Bernouci	" "	July 21,	1837.
Clifford Stanley 2d	" "	Feb. 17,	1839.
John Clark	" "	Sept. 12,	1845.
James Peacock	" "	Nov. 15,	1849.

Elizabeth, sister of Sophia and John Brainerd Ross, was married, first to Dr. John Brown, and after his death, to Dr. John Winans. There were no children by either marriage ; and Mrs. Winans died in 1815.

Alexander Ross took a voyage to Europe, and died unmarried, at Genoa, in Italy, October, 1808, in his twenty-third year.

Elizabeth Brainerd, the eighth child of Hon. Hezekiah and Dorothy (Hobart Mason) Brainerd, was mar-



ried to Captain David Miller, of Middlefield, a parish of Middletown, July 21, 1743. Their children were :

Hezekiah	Miller, born July 31, 1745, died Sept. 28, 1745.
Jerusha	“ “ July 25, 1747.
David Brainerd	“ “ July 24, 1749, “ Dec. 29, 1749.
Israel	“ “ Nov. 20, 1750, “ Dec. 19, 1759.
David Brainerd	“ “ Dec. 10, 1751.
Elizabeth	“ “ Mar. 31, 1755.
Esther	“ “ Aug. 24, 1758.
Dorothy	“ “ April 10, 1761.
Hezekiah	“ “ May 20, 1765.

Elizabeth Miller, the mother, died October 8, 1773, and Captain Miller married Widow Abigail Ely, May 24, 1775. He died February 28, 1789.

Jerusha Miller was married to David Coe, November 3, 1768. They lived in Middlefield until about 1795, when they removed to Paris, New York, where they died. Their children were :

Brainerd Coe, born Oct. 16, 1769.
Jerusha “ “ July 9, 1771.
Elizabeth “ “ Nov. 17, 1773.
Hannah “ “ June 9, 1775.
Sally “ “ Jan. 17, 1777.
Pamela “ “ Aug. 3, 1779.
David “ “ Sept. 10, 1784.
Eunice “ “ Mar. 1, 17—.

David Brainerd Miller married Adah Coe, November 10, 1773, and had the following children :

David Miller, born April 26, 1775.
Calvin “ “ Jan. 28, 1776.
Elias “ “ Nov. 6, 1778.
Rhoda “ “ June 18, 1780.
Ezra “ “ April 26, 1785.

Adah Miller, born July 26, 1788.  
 Halsey " " July —, 1793.  
 Alva " " Dec. 27, 1798.  
 Laura " " Aug. 12, 1800.

The family lived in Middlefield till 1796, when they removed to Leyden, New York, where Mr. Miller died November 22, 1833. He was an officer in the war of the Revolution (but of what grade I am not informed), for which he received a pension, and his widow after his death.

Elizabeth Miller was married to Elisha Miller, of Middlefield. Where they spent their days I am not informed.

Esther Miller lived unmarried in Middlefield, where she died in 1845.

Dorothy Miller was married to Jesse Smith, of Harwinton, November 14, 1783. They lived some time in Harwinton, and then in Batavia, New York, where she died. They had two children; Richard Smith, born January 20, 1787, and Irene Smith.

Richard Smith spent most of his life in Ohio, but died in Batavia.

Irene Smith is married, and it is supposed is now living in Batavia.

Hezekiah Miller married Sarah Bradley, of North Haven, September 27, 1786. He lived most of his life in Middlefield—a few of his last years in North Haven. They had six children :

Joel Bradley Miller, born \_\_\_\_\_  
 Benjamin " " July 19, 1790.

Sukey Miller, born May 10, 1793.  
Clara " " June 20, 1795.  
Harriet " " May 27, 1800.  
Hiram " " Aug. 17, 1801.

Mrs. Miller died November 21, 1825; Mr. Miller died April 24, 1837.

Israel Brainerd, the youngest son and child of Hon. Hezekiah Brainerd, was a member of Yale College when his brother David was taken from his missionary labors by feebleness, and afterward by death. "This young gentleman," says President Edwards, "was an ingenious, serious, studious, and hopefully pious person. There appeared in him many qualities giving hope of his being a great blessing in his day. But it has pleased God since the death of his brother to take him away also." He died the following winter, at New Haven, January 6, 1748, of a nervous fever, after about a fortnight's illness, in the twenty-fourth year of his age. David Brainerd recommended to this brother, when he himself was in a dying state, a life of self-denial and devotedness to God, and an earnest endeavor to obtain much of God's spirit and gracious influence on his heart; representing how greatly ministers stand in need of them, and the unspeakable benefit of them from his own experience. Among many other expressions he said thus:

"When ministers feel these special gracious influences on their hearts, it wonderfully assists them to come at the consciences of men, and as it were to handle them; whereas without them, whatever reason

and oratory we may make use of, we do but make use of *stumps* instead of *hands*." Memoirs, pp. 243-4.

This promising young man was buried in New Haven. His monument is in the College lot, and on it is this inscription:

Here lies the body of Israel, child of the Hon. Hezekiah Brainerd, who died a member of Yale College, January 26, 1748, ætatis suæ twenty-three.

There are a few families of Brainerds about which I could not obtain information early enough to insert their names in the proper place. They are therefore added here. Nor do I yet know certainly to which branch of the original family they belong. I shall be obliged to them or their friends if they can give me more exact information.

Abijah Brainerd married and had ten children:

Leah Brainerd,	baptized	Feb. 22,	1741.
Jeptha	"	Feb. 23,	1743.
Rachel	"	April 8,	1744.
Dorcas	"	April 26,	1746.
Urijah	"	April 24,	1748.
Asaph	"	May 6,	1750.
Shubael	"	April 12,	1752.
Thankful	"	Mar. 7,	1754. N. S.
Cornelius	"	June 26,	1756.
Mary	"	Aug. 5,	1758.

Sylvanus Brainerd used to live in Portland, Conn. He had a son, William, and some other children, who have all gone from that place, unless William be an exception.



Joshua Brainerd and Hannah Foster Brainerd had the following children: Roxanna, who died single; Horace, Julius, Elizabeth, and Halsey.

Jabez Brainerd, a son of Simon Brainerd, born in Haddam, August 13, 1758, removed to Dempster, N. H., in 1780, where he married Lucy Bingham, daughter of Elijah Bingham, who had a little before removed thither from Windham, Connecticut. He had three children: Nathan Brainerd, jun., born July 20th, 1787; and Harriet Brainerd, September 3, 1790. The name of the third child I cannot give. The mother died in August, 1846; the father, March 12, 1852; and the daughter Harriet, January 15, 1853.

Nathan Brainerd, jun., has children in Cleveland, Ohio. A son of his, Nathan Brainerd, keeps a large music store in that city; and has a large family.

Jeptha Brainerd and Anna Markham were married January 10, 1771. Their children were:

Anna Brainerd,	born	Oct. 25,	1771.
Obadiah	"	Jan. 22,	1773.
Jeptha	"	Nov. 4,	1774.
Samuel	"	Dec. 10,	1776.
Isaiah	"	Aug. 5,	1779.
Daniel	"	Dec. 29,	1782.
Mary	"	Mar. 10,	1786.
Timothy	"	Feb. 14,	1788.

Joshua Brainerd's children were: Abner Brainerd, born May 1, 1731; Mary, Hannah, Hannah second, and Elizabeth, the last child, born in 1748.

Nathaniel Roberts was married to Mehetabel Brainerd, April 8, 1731.

Othniel Brainerd and Lucia Swaddle were married May 10, 1750. Their children were: Lucia Swaddle, Lois, Othniel, Azubah, Esther, Sebe, Ansel, Othniel, and Abigail.

Elizabeth Little Brainerd, daughter of Joseph H. Brainerd, and grand-daughter of Dea. Ezra Brainerd, died December 20, 1854, as should have been mentioned on page 163.

Rev. P. G. Brainerd was dismissed in the winter of 1854-5, from the Presbytery in Londonderry, N. H., and reinstated in Halifax, Massachusetts, in the spring of 1855, over a Congregational Church.

Josiah Brainerd, a farmer in Haddam, married Lois Hurlburt, of Middle Haddam.

His son, Josiah Brainerd, also a farmer, was born December 13, 1773. He married Clarissa Dart, July 24, 1796. She was born August 13, 1772. Their children were:

Justin Brainerd,	born	June 1,	1797.
Alanson	"	Mar. 4,	1799.
Clarissa	"	Aug. 15,	1801.
Florilla	"	July 18,	1803.
Nelson	"	June 10,	1806.

The father died April 13, 1850.

Justin Brainerd has been married twice; first to Augusta Root, February, 1820; secondly, to Lydia Ann Becker. By his first marriage he had two

daughters, Clarissa Jennett and Margaret Lovett Brainerd.

Alanson Brainerd married Sally Van Orden, January 12, 1825, and had two sons, Cyrus James and William Van Orden Brainerd.

Clarissa Brainerd was married March 23, 1821, to Cyrus James. They have no children.

Florilla Brainerd is unmarried.

Nelson Brainerd married Jane Catherine Meyer October 5, 1845. She was born August 23, 1825. Their son, Charles Winfield Brainerd, was born December 23, 1851.

Joel Brainerd, whose father and grandfather both bore the name of Daniel, lived in Chatham part of Middle Haddam Society. He was born November 6, 1776. His wife, Eunice (Brooks) Brainerd, was born July 16, 1767. She was daughter of Daniel Brooks, of Haddam Neck. Children:

Lester Brainerd,	born	Aug. 11,	1788.
Fanny	"	Mar. 4,	1790.
Seth	"	Jan. 9,	1792.
Lucy L.	"	Dec. 19,	1795.
Asel	"	April 28,	1797, died April 26, 1798.
Aristarchus	"	Jan. 13,	1801.
Wellman	"	April 18,	1807.

Lester Brainerd is now living on Haddam Neck.

Fanny and Lucy L. Brainerd are living in Mayfield, Ohio, with their youngest brother.

Seth Brainerd is settled in Brooklyn, Ohio.

Aristarchus Brainerd married Sarah Weir, daugh-

ter of Gilbert and Lucy (Fox) Weir, of East Glastenbury. They have had three sons and four daughters. One daughter died in 1826. One of the sons is married and settled in Mayfield. One daughter is married and lives in Hamden, Ohio.

Wellman Brainerd married Orra Weir, of East Glastenbury, daughter of Gilbert and Lucy (Fox) Weir, August 24, 1828. They have had two sons and six daughters. One son is married; the other son died March 14, 1843, aged three years and three months.

The married son and one of the married daughters are settled in Euclid, Ohio. The other two married daughters are settled in Brooklyn in that State.

Ichabod Brainerd, son of James and Rebecca (Hurd) Brainerd, was born in Haddam, Connecticut, August 19, 1749. He married in 1770, in Richmond, Massachusetts, Susannah Williams, who was a native of Colchester, Connecticut, and born there, September 28, 1751, probably in the parish of that town known as Westchester, for she was baptized there on the day after her birth. She was the fourth child of John and Abigail Crocker Williams, of Westchester; granddaughter of William and Dorothy Johnson Williams, of Colchester; and great grand-daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Williams, who were among the earliest settlers of Colchester. Their children were:

Abigail Williams Brainerd, born in New Canaan, Columbia County,  
New York, June, 8, 1771.

Alice

“ “ April 26, 1773.



Susanna	Brainerd, born	April 15, 1775.
James	“ “	June 5, 1777.
Clarissa	“ “	Mar. 21, 1780.
William	“ “	————, 1783, died in 1787.
Ichabod	“ “	Feb. 4, 1785.
David Williams	“ “	May 28, 1787.
Lydia	“ “	Aug. 20, 1789.
Jirah	“ “	Aug. 10, 1792, died Nov. 15, 1793.

The mother of these children died in Berkshire, New York, April 8, 1813, in her sixty-second year; the father in Courtlandville, in the same State, August 20, 1833, aged eighty-four.

Abigail Brainerd, the eldest of their children, was married to Samuel Hutchinson, November 4, 1795. He was born November 8, 1769, and was a farmer. They settled in Berkshire, Tioga County, New York, where she died April 18, 1843, and her husband, September 17, 1854. Their children were:

Harvey Hutchinson, born	Oct. 13, 1797.
Irena “ “	Aug. 29, 1799.
Orlando “ “	July 25, 1801, died May 5, 1831.
Polly “ “	Dec. 8, 1803.
William “ “	April 17, 1806.
Orren “ “	Oct. 20, 1808, died Mar. 5, 1828.
Lavinia “ “	Nov. 21, 1810.
John “ “	Aug. 8, 1814.

These children my informant believes were most of them, if not all, born in Berkshire.

Harvey Hutchinson is married and resides in Berkshire, New York.

Of Irena Hutchinson no information is possessed beyond what has been given.

Polly Hutchinson was married to Thomas Robinson as a second wife. He is a glove and mitten manufacturer in Newark Valley, New York.

William Hutchinson is a carpenter and joiner. He resides in Berkshire, N. Y., and has several children.

Of the other children, I have no information.

Alice Brainerd died September 26, 1797; and her sister Susanna on the 16th of the preceding month.

James Brainerd married Abigail Welch, in New Canaan, January 26, 1803. They settled in Caroline, Tompkins Co., N. Y., where he died Oct. 17, 1856, in his 18th year. Their children were: Ansel Tracy, Sally A., Ephraim Goodrich, and Chester Augustus Brainerd. Ephraim G. Brainerd is married, and is a merchant.

Clarissa and Lydia Brainerd are single, and live together in New Canaan, New York.

Ichabod Brainerd, second, married Orpha Cook, Feb. 4, 1805. They moved from Canaan to Berkshire, and thence to Cooperstown, N. Y. Their children are: Edward, Jared, Lewis Nash, and William Henry.

David Williams Brainerd married Laura Parsons, in Lisle, New York, August 10, 1811, and their children are: Eliphalet Parsons, and Nancy Brainerd.

THE END.











